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£2.5m to bring 100 homes up to scratch

AROUND 100 empty council homes will be brought back into use in Dudley as part of a £2.5 million investment that will ease the borough's 11-month waiting list for houses.

There are around 120 council-owned houses in the borough standing empty and need extensive work to bring them up to standard.

Council bosses have now announced the authority will fund major repairs so they can house tenants.

The work will be funded with £2.5m saved in the council's housing revenue budget and council bosses hope to revamp as many as possible this year.

Dudley has 23,000 council homes and there are currently 6,687 people on the waiting list for a property. The average waiting time for a home is 11 months.

Councillor Khurshid Ahmed, said: "More work will be taking place over this issue in the future but at the present time this £2.5m will be used to return these empty houses to use."

"At the moment there are approximately 120 council houses in the borough which are not in use. This will help us to carry out the work needed at these properties so they can be of benefit once again. Bringing these properties back into use will help to ease waiting lists and get people back into homes."

CHIEF'S WARNING TO THE CRIMINALS

by Lee Watton



DUDLEY'S new police chief has pledged officers will be "relentless" in their pursuit of criminals with anti-social behaviour, metal thefts and domestic abuse highlighted as priority areas.

Chief Superintendent Stuart Johnson has been appointed commander of the borough's policing unit with responsibility for Dudley, Stourbridge and Halesowen. He replaces Keith Baldwin who retired after completing 30 years service with the force. Mr Johnson had previously served as Mr Baldwin's deputy for the past two years. He said the main aim was to continue the unit's record in crime reduction and maintain a high standard of service for the community.

Mr Johnson identified priority areas which would bring down crime figures in the borough even further.

He said tackling anti-social behaviour in all parts was vitally important as was the continuing issue of metal thefts which has plagued the region in recent years. Mr Johnson said there would also be a focus on tackling all forms of domestic abuse in the community.

"Although the team is performing extremely well in cutting crime rates I believe there is still room for improvement in terms of antisocial behaviour," he said.

"This is something which affects and is of concern to communities and is one of the areas I intend to make a priority."

Problems

Mr Johnson said the Black Country as a whole had experienced problems with metal thefts and the Dudley area had been no exception.

"This is another area which will continue to treat as a priority in the future and will feature in our operations here in the borough. We will also focus on dealing with issues of domestic abuse."

Mr Johnson has served with the force for 25 years starting his career as a PC in Wolverhampton. He was promoted to sergeant within four years.

The 50-year-old, who is married and has four children, spent a large part of his career in Birmingham and has also worked in the force's intelligence department.

He has also served as head of the force's firearms unit and as a superintendent his duties included counter terrorism command. He received a Chief Officers Commendation for his work during the English Defence League marches in Dudley.

300 sign up to get rid of new barriers

HUNDREDS of people have signed a petition demanding the removal of new barriers and no-entry signs stopping commuters using a Dudley street.

They say drivers are so confused by the new road layout they fear a serious accident could happen outside homes close to a park. Campaigners will hold a public meeting to air their concerns about the scheme which was installed in Blackacre Road last month.

It comes after a petition against the layout was signed by 300 people.

The meeting will take place on Friday at 7.30pm in the nearby Buffery Park Paradise Centre, formally the Sons of Rest building.

Resident Duncan Petford, who has called the meeting, says drivers are using side roads to seek an alternative route. The 50-year-old has lived in Rollason Road for 25 years and says traffic in the side streets has got worse in the past few days.

"My worry is people are too busy looking out for new signs and trying to figure out how to get through," Mr Petford said. "What if children are walking down there trying to get to the park?"

"Someone is going to be injured or killed." Dudley Council's transport boss Councillor Judy Foster said the road could be fully opened if the closure caused more problems.

Holden's set to expand

A DUDLEY brewery has been given the go-ahead to expand in moves that will see production increase by 50 per cent.

Dudley Council has approved plans for a three-storey extension at Holden's Brewery in Woodsetton.

The £200,000 expansion at the site in George Street will include a 70,000-pint storage tank and two fermenting vessels.

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Hospital looking for more midwives

EXTRA midwives are being recruited at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital to cope with rising birth rates, as plans to expand the maternity unit are revealed.

In February health bosses began restricting bookings from women across the border in Sandwell who live closer to City Hospital in Birmingham.

But the number of women from Dudley having babies delivered at the hospital has continued to rise, peaking at 424 in May. This is above the unit's optimum level of 380 births a month.

A recruitment drive is now under way and five midwives have already been offered places. Open days will be held next month to recruit qualifying students.

A business case for expanding the maternity unit so that more births could take place at the site is being drawn up and estimates for the work are being gathered.

Chief executive Paula Clark said: "The trust can confirm the expansion of the maternity unit is being considered. A business case has been put together and is awaiting final estate costs before the case is put before the Board of Directors.

"We are openly recruiting to midwives posts. The final number will depend on whether the expansion of the unit goes ahead."

Vandals in crime spree

VANDALS have gone on a wrecking spree causing thousands of pounds of damage to cars in Kingswinford

There have been 24 reports of criminal damage to vehicles in the area since the end of June. Wind-screens have been smashed by bricks, wing mirrors ripped off, wipers bent and roofs trampled on.

The attacks have all been in within an area of about a mile in Barnett Lane, Cedars Avenue, Cot Lane and Broad Street with most of the incidents happening between 1.30 and 3.30am.

Classic cars cruise in to castle



Janet Emery with her 1960 Morris Minor at the show



Dale Hudson, from Netherton, with his 1980 Ford

VISITORS to Dudley Zoo and castle were treated to a display of rare and classic cars.

The West Midlands Classic Car Club revved up their engines, and took over Dudley Castle for the day.

Car enthusiasts from across the country attending the annual meeting which has been coming to the castle for more than 20 years.

The cars included the likes of a smart E-type Jaguar and the very rare Daimler Dart of which there are only 2500 left in existence.

The motorists had cleaned, polished and preened their cars to the highest standard

ready to be judged in their individual classes and for the all important car of the show award.

Around a dozen judges assessed every aspect of the 80 vehicles on show for the competition.

President of the West Midlands Classic Car Club, and organiser of the event Maurice Cole said: "It has been a really good day, and as usual we have had a very good turn out and the weather has held out.

"It is really very popular and we have had people come from as far away as Anglesea to come to the show," he added.

"Everyone is always very competitive and the cars look fantastic."

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Care home dumps mother's things



A GRIEVING daughter has been left devastated after her late mother's precious belongings were thrown out by staff at the nursing home where she lived.

Wedding photographs and rings, together with other sentimental gifts and clothes, were missing when Mandy Darby arrived to pick them up following her mother Olive's death.

Only two small bags of her clothes were left for the 45-year-old to collect from Nethercrest Care Home, in Nether-

ton, Dudley. Mimosa Healthcare, which runs the nursing home, has now apologised to Olive's family.

Olive, 81, died on June 5 but her daughter was too upset to collect her belongings until after the funeral held on July 5. "They told me the other bags had been thrown away. I couldn't believe they had been thrown away without my consent," said Mandy, of Gorse Road, Wrens Nest, Dudley.

Olive lived around the Wrens Nest

estate all her life with her husband Ray. He died, aged 69, about 18 years ago and his wife went to stay with her daughter before moving into The Keepings care home, off Priory Road.

"The home gave her lovely care but I'm absolutely disgusted by the way this turned out," said Mandy.

Tim Rudman, spokesman for Mimosa Healthcare, said: "We are deeply saddened this error has occurred. All internal procedures have been reviewed."

Shooting nightclub may lose its licence

A NIGHTCLUB in Dudley where a man was shot could face closure after police revealed they would be asking for its licence to be reviewed.

The victim, a 28-year-old man, was shot at Hustlers Nightclub, King Street, last month.

West Midlands Police said officers would be seeking a review of the premises licence for the venue.

The request will go before councillors sitting on Dudley Council's licensing committee later this month.

Revoking the licence is among sanctions that can be imposed on the owners.

Police spokeswoman Jo Hunt said: "The local neighbourhood team is looking to review the licence, it is in the early stages."

Hustlers was closed for a 24-hour period following the shooting on June 23 at around 3.45am. The victim was shot in the arm.

A 22-year-old man arrested in West Bromwich in connection with the shooting is on bail.

Police issued a fresh appeal for people who were in the nightclub and who may have any information to come forward.

old and new merged on archive hoardings

OLD PHOTOGRAPHS showing Black Country streets in days gone by have added a touch of nostalgia to building site hoardings around the site of a £6million archives centre.

The images, displayed at the project base in Tipton Road, Dudley, have been merged with shots showing how the same scenes look now. Among the pictures is one of five women carrying gas masks on their backs as they walk side by side along the town's Priory Street in 1940.

A scene of Brierley Hill High Street shows 1930s cars travelling along the same road as a modern bus.

The hoardings have been installed as work continues on the centre, which is being built on the site of the old Brierley Crystal base and is expected to open next summer.

Artist's impressions showing how the base will look when it is completed have also gone on display.

Councillor Khurshid Ahmed, said: "It's great that construction work has begun on the borough's new archives and local history centre."

Encouraged

"We look forward to the service moving into the new centre."

"Anyone passing by the site is encouraged to take a look at the hoardings and view the artist's impressions of the centre, as well as the fascinating past and present photographs."

Contractor G F Tomlinson has been on site since April carrying out preparation work and laying the foundations.

The present archives centre will relocate from Coseley.

The new building will have IT and public Wi-Fi services, education and conference rooms, a hi-tech conservation studio, a rare books library and research area, a well-equipped search room and free car parking.



Women with gas masks in Priory Street, Dudley, in 1940



Peckingham Street, Halesowen, in 1910 and in the present day



Brierley Hill High Street in the 1930s merged with 2012

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Crime's a washout say police

WET WEATHER helped cut the number of crimes reported in Stourbridge and Halesowen last month to a record low, claim police.

Officers said the washout helped to reduce the number of assaults, burglaries and other incidents during the month.

In Halesowen there were 153 reported crimes, compared with 181 last year and 194 in 2010.

In Stourbridge, there were 262 reported crimes, compared with 290 in 2011 and 441 in 2010.

The new inspector for the Stourbridge and Halesowen sector, Dez Lambert, said the poor weather had played a major part in the numbers.

He said: "While I would say the reduction is down to our officers' work and help to the community, I can't deny the weather has been a factor. We find during wet months such as January that people are less likely to be out and about causing trouble in neighbourhoods. We like the rain here."

Insp Lambert said crime had reduced dramatically over the past 10 years. He put the drop down to the police's working with partner agencies and the force's ever-changing structure.

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Outdoor life to aid young

OUTDOOR activities for 15 to 17-year-olds are taking place across Worcestershire.

The National Citizen Service is an opportunity for young people to try outdoor activities, socialise and make a difference within their local communities.

The programme, which begins on July 23, lasts six weeks. It includes an adventure week in Wales, an enterprise week at a local hotel and social action projects in the community.

Engage4Life, the not-for-profit company running the National Citizen Service.

For more information, visit www.engage4life.co.uk or call 08456 804348.

Plans approved

PLANS to build a house in Stourbridge have been given the go-ahead.

Emma Singh had applied for permission to construct a two-bedroom end of terrace property in Cobden Street. The plans were submitted to Dudley Council and planners have approved them.

Battle for Hippodrome backed by experts

THEATRE experts have backed the campaign to protect the former Dudley Hippodrome from the bulldozer.

The Theatres Trust, a national organisation, says government legislation could be the key to safeguarding the future of the threatened venue.

The trust, which is committed to preserving theatres, vowed to do all it could to help The Friends of Dudley Hippodrome in its bid to reopen the former bingo hall.

Planning and heritage adviser Mark Price said it could be designated an asset

of community value under the Localism Bill 2011.

This would ensure that the theatre was used for the community as a cultural or recreational venue.

Dudley Hippodrome is on the Theatre Trust's At Risk Register. Mr Price said: "The trust considers it to be at medium/high risk and supports the efforts of the Friends of Dudley Hippodrome who are campaigning to save the building.

"Theatre buildings of this nature can often remain vacant for a number of years

before finding a champion. Having being purchased by the council, with local support, there is no reason why the Hippodrome could not become an asset of community value."

The Localism legislation was drafted to safeguard community assets such as village pubs and shops and buildings of significant interest and importance to community life.

These provisions give communities a right to have a say in the future of a building and possibly stake a claim to buy or lease it if that option becomes available.

Campaigners welcomed the support and revealed talks would be held with the council before the end of this month.

Friends group chairman Geoff Fitzpatrick said: "We welcome the trust's support because they might be able to give us some advice on the best way forward."

The theatre shut in the 1960s but had been used as a cabaret nightclub and bingo hall before finally closing three years ago. Dudley Council purchased the building and says it is considering demolishing it to make way for redevelopment.

Brick industry is finding it harder to build for future

There were once 25 brick works in Dudley. Soon there will be only one. Its boss ALEX PATRICK-SMITH explains why the tradition is disappearing

Stourbridge Brick Works will close in August which means Dreadnought Tiles and Ketley Brick, will be the last remaining volume brick or tile works in the Dudley borough.

Times are difficult in the heavy clay industry. There are many reasons for this. The most obvious is the low levels of demand for building materials across the country.

But there is also the cumulative burden of energy taxes, which disproportionately affect energy intensive businesses, the volatility in wholesale energy prices and insufficient local support for heavy industry in some quarters.

Housing construction levels are running at half the levels seen at their peak in 2007, while the demand for housing is still projected by the Government to be at 220,000 units per year across the country, leaving a large shortfall and reducing affordability.

The main brake on house building is the availability of affordable mortgage finance.

Renewable

Heavy industry has borne a large part of the burden to reduce carbon emissions. Carbon taxes are applied to electricity to subsidise renewable energy sources and to gas in the form of carbon allowance, which reduces every year. Carbon credits need to be bought to supplement shortfalls.

For brick and tile-makers there is no alternative to firing products with gas. The effect of these carbon taxes in a world where they are not applied universally is simple – production and jobs are being lost at home and relocated overseas.

That means products that were once made on our doorstep are now being imported. Ironically, that means extra carbon emissions because of the fuel needed to transport them from abroad.

A much better way forward would be to tax carbon consumption rather than emission, as this would then cover all relevant products used in this country rather than those made in this country. By 2020 it is projected that more than half the cost of energy for manufacturing will be made up of taxes.

In Dudley, which at one point had 25 brick works, we have witnessed a pattern of closures. The latest is the recent announcement of the closure of the Ibstock Stourbridge Works in August, owned by the Irish multinational CRH.

In 2009 the Baggeridge Sedgley Works closed following a takeover by the Austrian company Wienerberger. Himley, again owned by Ibstock, closed around 10 years ago. In all three cases production at these works is being fulfilled by factories outside the borough. Contrast this with our family business operating on a single site in Pensnett, where all the company's assets have been committed to the borough since 1805, when production first started on the same site.

We have invested heavily over the past five years to develop a range of new brick and tile products and developed overseas markets, which has enabled us to maintain our levels of employ-



Surviving – managing director Alex Patrick-Smith by one of the brick kilns at Ketley Bricks Dreadnought Works, in Dreadnought Road, Pensnett

ment while the brick industry has dwindled around us. It is not an option for us to relocate elsewhere. Our loyal workforce lives locally. Our capital is committed to this site and our quarry where we source our clay is just down the road. We have no choice but to make the business work where it is.

Restrictions

The Ketley Quarry near Kingswinford, which has been the subject of vocal protests recently, has imposed all the houses around it. Many restrictions have been imposed on the operation of the site, which has significantly increased the cost of operating the quarry. Without the quarry and the type of clay found in this area our business has no future. Undoubtedly compromise is required on all sides because we can't change the reality of the situation. We have received supportive comments recently by Labour and Green councillors. However, we have been

really struck by the lack of vocal public support by our local Conservative councillors for a business that has helped shape the area over the last 200 years.

Heavy industry needs the active public support of local politicians. Without this, a mindset can become established that sees heavy industry as a nuisance, leading to planning permissions becoming harder to obtain in the face of local opposition driven by self interest.

Every brick works that closes in the Black Country results in production shifting elsewhere, with the loss of jobs and the multiplier effect for the rest of the local economy.

A bias toward local sourcing would be in everybody's interest and establishing a culture that supports local manufacturers is key. Local support for industry has never been more important. Without it the Black Country's proud industrial heritage will continue to be in decline.

NEWS

in brief

Town roadshow for retirement

A "RETIREMENT roadshow" is coming to Kidderminster to help older people tackle issues of concern.

The event, organised by The National Carline, is aimed at those who have retired or are close to it.

It will be held at Kidderminster Town Hall on July 21 from 9.30am to 3.30pm.

Event organiser Barbara Davies said: "It aims to provide experts who are able to give people the answers." The National Carline has brought together exhibitors.

Historic pool at park is restored

A POOL at grade I listed park The Leasowes, Halesowen has been restored.

The Friends of The Leasowes group received £5,500 from the Big Lottery Fund Awards For All to restore the pool to make it more attractive to wildlife.

The heart-shaped pool is part of the landscaping at the site, off Mucklow Hill, designed by 18th century poet William Shenstone.

It had become silted up and the council has now dredged it and repaired the leaks.

Black Beauty in open air drama

AN OPEN-AIR production of Black Beauty will be performed at Hagley Hall on August 16 as part of a national tour of 27 venues.

It is produced by award-winning BBC playwright Susannah Daley and features costumes designed by Hayley Neil, who worked on the King's Speech. The show starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are available at www.blackbeautylive.com or 0844 8717604.

Complaints over Poco responses

PCSOs in the West Midlands were subject to 11 complaints from the public for failing to respond satisfactorily to incidents over the past two years.

Out of those complaints, police bosses took action once after finding the force had a case to answer. Figures are from April 1 2010 to March 31 this year.

Conversion plan

A SCHEME to convert a semi-detached house in Nagersfield Road, Brierley Hill, into two flats has been approved by Dudley Council's planning committee.

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A READER asks: "What's happened to that long hot summer you promised us?" The answer, according to the latest scientific data and the seaweed hanging outside Chateau Rhodes, is that there will indeed be a long hot summer. But not until December.

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HOW to deal with telephone cold callers. Among a flurry of readers' suggestions, I love this one: "When they ring, just tell them you are a relative of the person they want and you live in a big house and they are at the bottom of the garden. Every so often, just shout that they are on their way." This reader says his personal record for keeping them hanging on the phone is eight minutes.

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THE great thing about science is that discoveries which cost billions very quickly become affordable to Joe Public. I am pleased to report that Higgs boson particles are now a quid each at Poundland. Don't be embarrassed to ask.

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BY NOW, we are used to Easter eggs appearing in the shops before Christmas and Christmas cards appearing before Easter. Even so, a reader admits she was surprised to see her local W H Smiths running a "Back to school" promotion before the schools have even broken up.

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IF YOU have not yet seen Tom Symonds's account of being mugged at knifepoint, it's at www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-18739151

Symonds is the BBC Home Affairs correspondent. His iPhone was snatched and in the minutes that followed, police electronically traced the device and chased and caught the thief. It is a fascinating display of how brilliant British bobbies can be, given the tools and the opportunity. The incident also highlights a glaring weakness in the system. This knife-wielding thief robbed Symonds just 14 days after being released early from prison for an identical offence. Prison works. But only as long as we keep them in prison.

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A READER describes the bizarre experience of watching Twenty-Twelve (BBC2), the excellent comedy on the London Olympics bureaucracy, followed by Newsnight. The first was satire, the second real life. Yet the language was the same. Going forward, bilaterally, that is.

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NO SURPRISES in the report showing that if you have a stroke at the weekend, your chances of survival are lower because specialist NHS staff will be off duty. But it comes as a shock to discover that the same Monday-to-Friday syndrome infects the rest of the staff.

A reader reports a recent stay in hospital when a cleaner was told off by her supervisor, in front of patients, and made to re-clean the ward. My reader reports: "We thought it was a little harsh but understandable and commendable, in view of MRSA. We were very puzzled, however, when the ward was not cleaned at all on Saturday or Sunday. Does this mean there are no germs at the weekend?"

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STRANGE names for paint colours. A friend is redecorating her living room in Elephant's Breath.

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A SHOPKEEPER who produced thousands of counterfeit DVD and computer games in the basement of his Brierley Hill store has been jailed for 18 months.

Trading Standards officers discovered the haul, which had an estimated retail value of more than £500,000, when they raided the MP Media shop run by Mark Dabbs.

Nine machines capable of churning out fake discs were found tucked

inside an alcove masked by a message board, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

More than 20,000 illegal discs including games for consoles including the Xbox 360, Nintendo Wii and Sony PlayStation, films and pornography were found. Printed inlays and covers for cases to disguise the fake games and films were also unearthed by officers at the shop in High Street. Trading Standards offi-

cers have estimated the loss to the industry and copyright holders as more than £500,000.

Dabbs, of Turner's Grove, Lower Gornal, Dudley, pleaded guilty to 44 charges of possessing goods with a false trademark for sale or hire, at a previous hearing.

Judge Michael Dudley said Dabbs, aged 44, had created a "counterfeiting factory" at the premises. Dabbs was sentenced to 18 months to be

served concurrently on all 44 charges. Judge Dudley also ordered the destruction of all the counterfeit discs and equipment.

Mr Mark Jackson, prosecuting on behalf of Dudley Council, said Dabbs had masterminded a "sophisticated and professional" counterfeiting trade.

Miss Nicole Steers, defending, said Dabbs realised he has "stepped out of line".

Vow over problems with cars speeding

COUNCIL chiefs have vowed to look at taking action to tackle speeding motorists at a car crashed into a front garden.

But they insist they have already managed to reduced the number of crashes in Brook Street, Woodsetton – despite residents claiming the problem is worse than ever.

It was revealed last Tuesday how a man was thrown from the sunroof of a Peugeot 406 as it hurtled into Joyce Hampton's front garden.

Dramatic CCTV footage showed the passenger walking away unharmed.

Miss Hampton's brother Howard captured the footage on cameras outside his house next door, which he had put up amid concerns that the road was being used as a rat run.

However, Councillor Judy Foster, insisted the number of crashes had been reduced since warning signs were installed. She said the council would consider whether any further action was necessary.

She said: "We have previously consulted on a number of traffic-calming schemes."

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Chance to hunt bug

A POPULAR "hunt the Dudley bug" event is being staged on July 24, from 10am to 12.30pm.

The warden at Wrens Nest Nature Reserve will take visitors back in time to when Dudley was under water at the bottom of a tropical sea.

This walk includes slopes and steep steps and therefore walking boots are recommended and all children need to be accompanied.

Booking is essential on 01384 812785. Participants should meet on Wrens Nest car park, Wrens Hill Road.

£800 for causes

MORE than £800 has been raised for three causes by Sainsbury's Stourbridge.

The Ambrose Store held an exercise bike challenge for Carers UK on June 22 which raised £165. A cake sale raised £161 for Insight for Carers, Brierley Hill. The 6th Stourbridge Guides and Brownies held a bag pack raising £501.01.

Bell ringers hoping to a-peal to new recruits

FOR more than 300 years parishioners have sent the evocative sound of church bells echoing across a Black Country town.

Although the current crop of volunteers show no signs of slowing down, they are now looking for new recruits to help keep up the tradition for generations to come. The team of bell ringers at St John the Baptist Church, Halesowen, have

appeared on BBC2 documentary series The Great British – People's History in recent weeks.

Recently, the church's doors were opened to anyone interested in taking up the practice and joining the lively social group.

Ten people were taught new skills and the ringers hope they will be seen again at future sessions.

Among them were Ian Jeavons, aged 67, of Hasbury, Halesowen, who said he was inspired to take part after hearing the bells from his garden.

The former wage office manager at British Steel said: "It's not as easy as it looks but I have really enjoyed it. On a clear evening the bells are a beautiful sound."

"I have lived in Halesowen all my life but I have never done anything like this before."

About 16 bell ringers gather in the church's tower every Tuesday night to practice. They herald the start of the Sunday morning service each week, as well as playing at weddings and funerals.

They have won regional contests and are the reigning Worcestershire and District champions.

The peals they create are known as English Change Ringing. The lightest treble bell rings first followed by the others in quick succession until the heaviest tenor bell, which weighs 0.8 tonnes, makes a sound.

The cycle is then repeated, which is called ringing the rounds. The sequence can be varied but each bell ringer needs to memorise the pattern they are playing, so the correct tune is played. The church is now looking to the future by taking part in a simula-



Guest Stephen Woods, Master Michael Brown and ringer Stewart Brydges with members and friends

neous national ringing of bells to mark the start of the Olympics on July 27 at 8am. It can take up to a year for someone to become skilled enough to take part in events and learn to follow the complex charts and instructions.

Volunteers

Group secretary Adrian Jones, aged 65, said: "We are all getting older and we need to make sure there is a regular feed of new volunteers coming through. Otherwise in 20 years there will be no bell ringing at this church. Lots of other churches have no bell ringers now because they did not get anyone new involved and we don't

want that to happen." Mr Jones started bell ringing 10 years ago, encouraged by his daughter Rosemary, who had also taken it up.

Among the other veterans helping out the newcomers was Mike Lashford, of Windsor Road, Halesowen. He has rung bells at the church for 55 years since he was 10.

His first public peal was at a service marking the death of Winston Churchill in 1965. The group meets every Tuesday at 7.30pm at the church, in High Street. For more information call the bell ringing master Michael Brown on 0121 602 4173.

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£1.3m will overhaul bus fleet

NATIONAL Express is spending £1.3 million on an overhaul of its West Midlands bus fleet, the largest public transport refurbishment project ever in the UK.

The business, which operates from Birmingham, has already begun the project and when complete the fleet will have vehicles with new modern interiors and cleaner engines which are 20 per cent more efficient.

The work will extend the life of the buses by at least a decade.

Bosses say customers will enjoy cleaner, more comfortable journeys as a result.

Peter Coates, managing director of National Express UK Bus Division, said they were also continuing to invest in new vehicles.

Last year 220 new vehicles including 18 green hybrid buses were added.

The fuel savings delivered by the refit alone will enable the company to cover the cost of the refurbishment project within three years.

The more fuel efficient buses will improve air quality in Birmingham, which is a key objective for both Birmingham City Council and transport authority Centro. Last month, National Express announced sales in its UK coach operation rose by two per cent in the first half of 2012.

Park centre for training

KIDDERMINSTER College will open a new horticultural training centre in a town park in September.

The teaching base will be built at Brinton Park where gardening courses have been taught from a mobile classroom since April.

The centre will allow students, including those with learning disabilities, to get experience.

The project is a partnership between the college, district council and the Emily Jordan Foundation and it's hoped the courses will help people to get jobs.

Students on the college's Land Based Studies will be able to work towards an accredited qualification.

Decision put off

COUNCILLORS have deferred making a decision on whether to grant planning permission for an outbuilding in Brierley Hill.

Dudley Council planners will now visit the site in Stourvalley Close. A decision on the plans will be made next month.



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the Express & Star's excellent content". He said: "It replicates the page-turning experience which so many readers like, allowing readers to get the real news via their desktop."

The new service comes after the Express & Star's app for iPad and iPhone users was launched in January.

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NEWS in brief

Skateboarding skills on offer

A VILLAGE is offering young people a chance to learn skateboarding skills.

Kinver Action Group has enlisted Rubicon Skateboard School to showcase its skills on July 21. From 10am the lesson will be held at Wheels Park off Legion Drive.

It is the latest in a series of skating events planned at the park this year.

A bike track was built on the playing fields in 2009, with the skatepark a year later – thanks to grants including the Lottery Play Builder Fund.

Call 07801929034.

Summer music across borough

SUMMER concerts are taking place at parks across Dudley borough.

Paul Drakeley and the Allstars Band will perform at Himley Hall on July 22 and August 5. Himley Hall's Oak Tee Room will also be open for tea and cakes.

Families in Stevens Park in Quarry Bank will be able to enjoy the sounds of Thorns Community Music Group on August 12.

All the concerts run from 2.30pm until 5pm.

Plans to build 40 homes approved

MORE than 40 houses will be built on vacant industrial land in Netherton after plans for the scheme were given the go-ahead by councillors.

Developer G C Netherthon had submitted proposals for the development on the former Tinsley Works site off Northfield Road.

It includes one and three-bedroom flats and two-storey houses.

Morrisons will change hours

SUPERMARKET bosses have been given the go ahead to extend delivery hours at Morrisons in Kingswinford.

The store, in Stallings Lane, can now accept deliveries between 7am and 8pm Monday to Saturday. The plan was approved by Dudley Council's planning committee recently.

School fencing

A KINGSWINFORD school plagued by crime has been given the green light for security fencing. Crestwood Park Primary School, Lapwood Avenue, will put up the fence along two boundaries.

Leaf it to the experts when stripping an ivy-clad house

A BLANKET of ivy left to creep over an eyesore house is being removed by its new owner, to the delight of neighbours sick of the sight of it. Neighbour Molly Boland contacted her local council just over a year ago, and asked them to encourage the owner of Old Hill House, Cradley Heath, to sell the property.

The 78-year-old said: "I thought I would phone them to see if they could do something about it."

"It took a while but I was delighted when they finally put it up for auction."

Mrs Boland said in the 10 years it had stood empty ivy had slowly crept up the walls covering windows, walls and the roof.

"The garden had become wild, and the grass had grown to over five feet."

She said: "It was just horrible, and a real eyesore." The house was auctioned and sold for £116,000.

"The new owner, who did not want to be named said he plans to renovate the house and turn it back into a family home. He has cleared out the inside and employed specialist company Shirley Ivy Stripping, from Solihull to remove the foliage."

Company boss David Sidwell said: "This is the biggest job we have ever done, and will take around a week to complete."

"We will pull off all the ivy from the walls, and they we will have to work on the roof. That will be more difficult because I should think it will have gone under the tiles."

Mr Sidwell will then use his "secret method" of removing all the tendrils from the wall, and cleaning the bricks.

Until this is done, the owner will not know the extent of any brick work damage.

Edith Robinson, aged 71, who has lived in Sherbourne Road for 34 years said she remembered the house as once a busy family home. She said: "It was a lovely house, and I remembered the owner doing it up."

"But unfortunately her health deteriorated."

rated and she had to move out, that's when it was just left.

"It became horrible, and it's at the entrance to the road so you can't miss it. This is such a friendly road so everyone has been talking about it."

Ann Shaw, aged 74, who has lived on the road with her husband said: "I am delighted that it is finally going to be worked on, and sorted. It will just make a real difference to the road."

Mother-of-two Laura Hays, aged 29, said: "I am just looking forward to see the work unfold, and see it being transformed."

Trimming

"It will make such a difference."

Mother-of-one Brigid Duffy, a solicitor who has lived opposite for 15 years, said the former owner had previously kept a rein on the plant.

She said: "But when she left it got out of control because no-one was trimming it back. Then it just grew and grew and grew."

"It got to the point where you couldn't actually see the house any more."

"Every time we had visitors they would say my God what's that across the road. These workmen cutting it down are my heroes."

Retired civil servant Helen Key, 55, who lives next door, added: "If you looked into the street from a distance, it looked like there was a house, then a big tree, then my house."



Workers begin the mammoth task of removing the ivy

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Dan's luck went through the roof after bingo date

A MAN who was flung through the sunroof of a car as it hurtled into a garden in Dudley has spoken of the "surreal" crash.

Double-glazing salesman Dan Page, aged 31, said he could not believe he was still walking after the crash.

He was flipped out of the car as his old school friend Kylee Weston, aged 30, lost control of her Peugeot 406 as she drove the two of them home after a night at the bingo.

"It was just a freak of physics that I came out of the top and survived," said Mr Page, of Sedgley.

The pair had recently met up again after 10 years and went out for an evening in Coseley. But on the way home at about 10.30pm, their date was cut short when Ms Weston took a corner too sharply and rolled her car through a garden wall in Brook Street, Woodsetton – sending Mr Page flying out of the sunroof.

The incredible crash was captured on CCTV showing Mr Page being catapulted 6ft into the air and landing face down – before, amazingly, walking back to the car. Both escaped with just minor cuts and bruises.

Mr Page said: "It's all a surreal blur. The sunroof wasn't even open at the time, it must have smashed on the first roll."

"My luck had not been in for most of the night at the bingo hall – but it certainly was at the end of the night. I can't believe I'm still walking."

Mother-of-two Ms Weston added: "When I watched the footage back I just burst into tears. I was inches away of rolling the car on top of Dan."

Delight at grass cutting

RESIDENTS are delighted after a grass verge left overgrown for more than a year has now cut. People living near the verge, off Coldstream Drive, Wordsley, had organised their own cutting when Dudley Council stopped it on all steep banks. But after complaints the council changed its policy.



Dan Page with friend Kylee Weston in Sedgley



Dan is flung through the sunroof of the car

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LETTERS

Nightmare of hospital parking

ON THE day it was reported about parking problems at Dudley's Russell's Hall Hospital I was unfortunate enough to have to visit an aging relative who is a patient there.

In mid-afternoon – not rush-hour – there was almost grid lock around the traffic island at the hospital's entrance stretching down to Pensnett centre, back to Holy Hall island and up to Holly Hall Church junction.

The cause was vehicles trying to access the hospital car park, which was virtually full, backing up to and blocking the main road.

I sympathise with residents but

Questions over local people and torch runs

THIRTEEN of us went up to the Birmingham New Road to see the Olympic Torch come through, and who was carrying it, someone from Walsall.

In Dudley only one of the 11 torchbearers actually come from the borough.

People seem to have been sent all over the place.

An injured soldier from Tipton was sent to Solihull.

I question why a Big Brother woman, Will.i.am, The Wanted were all given the chance to carry the torch.

Cliff Richard carried it in Birmingham for his charity work which is very commendable, but he is certainly not a Brummie.

It was a lovely experience, but I do question why it was not handled better as regards areas.

MRS MAUREEN BANKS
Farndale Close
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Players and game in need of change

ROY HODGSON did as good a job as possible with the England football team.

The question now is can he develop further. At last the TV pundits got the message that what is needed is an ability to string passes together.

They didn't mention though that in order to do this, players off the ball need to be running into positions so that passes can be made easily. The England players weren't doing this; instead they tended to be standing, waiting to see what the player with the ball was intending to try to do.

The huge problem that Hodgson faces is that our players are simply not used to this type of football.

They have spent their careers tearing around the pitch, with lots of physical contact, and the emphasis on stopping opponents building up attacking moves rather than developing their own. Is it any wonder that the England players have difficulty changing their style of play?

The whole emphasis of professional football in the Premiership has to change. The big question is, will club supporters be willing to let this happen?

GORDON BETTELEY,
Sheridan Gardens, Sedgley

where are employees whom the hospital needs and patients it is there to serve to park their cars?

What I find disgraceful is that exit barriers on the car park have been raised on several occasions now enabling cars to drive straight through. This means that anyone checking barriers first need not pay.

Those who have paid in good faith inside the building find they have lost possibly a whole day's parking fee unnecessarily.

I suggest all visitors who have paid this diabolical tax on illness, whilst others have not, write to the car park

administrators in the strongest terms requesting their money back.

Further, if the administrators decide to raise barriers, they should set all ticket machines inside the building to state that, on inserting the ticket, a driver has paid. This will stop the taking of money from some people, who have enough to concern them, by what amounts to false pretences.

It seems that, in spite of constructing a multi-storey car park, this is a problem that will not go away.

DAVID G ATKINSON

Maidensbridge Road

Kingswinford

Spaniards play like England used to

After watching the Euro football matches, and listening to all the ex-footballers, giving their verdicts on the game, highlighted by the final with Spain and Italy, they seemingly are in "awe" of the Spanish team.

They are all part and parcel of the demise of English football.

The Spaniards play "touch and move" football, something that was lost to tactics etc from the late 50s and 60s of English football, and hence the poor showing of our sides, they stand and "ball watch".

Until our coaching gets back to pass and move football we are going nowhere.

The Spanish will carry on at keeping it simple, and looking like an English football team used to!

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NEWS

Scrap metal merchant's vehicles taken off road

A SCRAP metal dealership in Dudley has been ordered to temporarily downsize its operations after it was found using vehicles unfit for the road.

R Davies Metals and Sons Ltd, Smithy Lane, Pensnett, was also found to be using drivers who were not taking the required breaks a traffic commissioner hearing heard.

Deputy traffic commissioner Tony Secular described the company failings as significant and serious and ordered the firm to downsize from seven vehicles to five for one month.

He also laid down conditions on the company's licence which will mean it must report regularly to the Vehicle and Operator Services Agency.

The decision comes a month after driver Mark Shore, 42, died in an industrial accident at the firm's recycling yard. The incident, which is unrelated to the hearing, is being investigated by the Health and Safety Executive.

Speaking at the hearing last week, company senior director Renney Davies admitted failing to adequately check on the maintenance of vehicles, as well as the training of staff. He said: "I accept that I took my eye off the ball."

The hearing first heard evidence from Vehicle and Operator Services Agency vehicle examiner Neil Lloyd-Bowen.

He said during an unannounced visit to the company's yard in Smithy Lane on December 17, he found two out of five vehicles inspected with defects.

Challenge to read books

CHILDREN are being challenged to read more books at libraries in Dudley borough during the summer.

Youngsters aged four to 12 are being challenged to read six books as part of the annual summer reading challenge. The 2012 event theme is Story Lab, a laboratory where children can read, share and create.

Award day for youngsters



Front, pre-school leader Margaret Rogers with Lacie Cox, four, with other children with crews from Kinver fire station, who visited for the end-of-year open day

AWARDS have been handed out to youngsters at a pre-school near Stourton to mark their achievements during the year.

They were presented during an open day at Peter Pan Pre-School in Stourton Village Hall since 1969.

Staff at the school, who are all volunteers, were on hand to welcome visitors. They had arranged for crews from Kinver fire station to visit the school with their engine.

School leader Margaret Rogers, aged 65, who marked her 41st year at the centre, said: "It is wonderful time when we celebrate children's achievements at each of the school years but also a sad time, in some respect, as families who have been part of our lives for three years move

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NEWS

New police chief wants to build more bridges

Museum engine reopens



Past president of the Newcomen Society Julia Elton reopens the engine house with historic machinery consultant Geoff Wallis at the museum

THE BLACK Country Living Museum's replica 18th Century steam engine has officially reopened after a £100,000 restoration.

For the past year the Thomas Newcomen's 1712 engine at the museum in Dudley has been undergoing vital work. It was unveiled to coincide with the 300th anniversary celebrations of the engine.

Former President of the Newcomen Society Julia Elton stepped

in to cut the ribbon when TV presenter Adam Hart-Davis became ill.

The original engine transformed mining in coalfields all over the country. It is recognised that Newcomen's first successful steam engine was built in 1712 near Dudley Castle.

The work included replacing the wood head frame, adjusting worn parts of the pump and repairing valve gear, piston and cylinders.

Sports bash for Beacon

A SPORTING dinner will be held in aid of Sedgley's Beacon Centre for the Blind in October.

The bash at the Copthorne Hotel, Brierley Hill will be attended by sportsmen including cricketers Darren Maddy and Gladstone Small and former Villa player Gary Shaw. Tickets cost £30. Call 01902 880111.

Insp Dez Lambert has moved from a role where he was spearheading force changes in Birmingham to replacing Insp Mick Palmer and taking charge of the policing sector covering the two towns.

The officer, who is 35 and has lived in Halesowen all his life, said he wanted to engage with the town's communities.

He said: "Halesowen is a great area with a community which already works well with the police, but I think there is still room for improvement."

"The better we work with the public the greater support we will get tackling crime, and that is good for everyone – except the criminals. I want people to tell us their policing issues, what they want us to do and report anything suspicious they see in their neighbourhoods."

Providing people who call police with feedback is one way Insp Lambert believes the force can improve its relationship with the public. A high visible police presence on the streets and greater use of social networking will also improve public interaction, the officer says.

The former Halesowen College student said: "People should be able to contact us in a number of different ways and then hear back from us."

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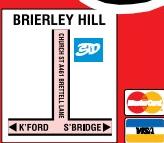
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Family left devastated after son, aged 31, dies

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THE FATHER of pub landlord David Golding who died after being hit by a car paid tribute to his "wonderful" son who he described said was one of a kind.

The 31-year-old who ran The Old Peacock Inn, in Horsefair, Kidderminster, was alone when he was struck by a car on the A456 in Bewley, after leaving a wedding reception at Wharton Park Golf Club on Saturday night.

The avid Wolves fan lived in St George's Terrace, Kidderminster, with his partner Claire Freeman, aged 29, and their son eight-year-old, Jay.

His father Mel, aged 62, who lives in a flat at the pub, said: "He was everything a father wants his son to be, he was wonderful. He was an extrovert character, he could be loud, shy, care-free, hard-working. Whatever mood he was in, everyone loved him."

"We're all devastated he has gone, he leaves a massive gap in the family, and community, and it will take along time for us to all get over what has happened."

Mr Golding was born and raised in Kidderminster. He attended King Charles School in the town before leaving to help his father at the pub.

His father said: "Everybody in the town knew him, he was so well-liked and had many, many friends."

"Since his death I have been overwhelmed by the support from the community."

"We are all so shocked by his death."

Mr Golding's mother, Julie Astrid Goldring, aged 52, and his brother Debbie have also been left devastated.

Visitors will be able to park up to watch the movie on a giant screen on July 20 in the car park opposite Debenhams.

Gates will open at 7pm and the film will start at 9.30pm.

A CHARITY which has served a community for more than 120 years is celebrating after its new nursery was given a local building award.

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Groups can grab share of £21,000 fund scheme

COMMUNITY groups in Dudley can apply for a share of £21,000 for local projects as the next round of a funding scheme is launched.

Groups in Brockmoor and Pensnett can submit applications to the Community First programme by September 21.

It comes after groups applied for £14,000 of funding in the first round in recent months.

Chairman of the panel Councillor Judy Foster said: "In the first round, we saw some excellent applications demonstrating the commitment that many groups and organisations within and beyond the ward boundaries have to improve the lives of people in Brockmoor and Pen-

snett. We look forward to seeing many more."

John Martin, recently elected ward councillor and new panel member, said: "I am delighted to have the opportunity to be involved in assessing projects that could make a real difference to lives of people I now represent."

Successful applicants will be chosen by a panel of eight members, which includes local ward councillors and other community figures from Brockmoor and Pensnett.

To apply, visit www.brockmoorandpensnettcfpanel.org.uk or email brockmoorandpensnettward.dudley@hotmail.co.uk.

Fame is calling for young theatre group



Front, Emily Porch, Holly Bagnall, Laura Blakeway and Alex Loyd, with back, Mike Astley, Rachel Gresswell and Connor Robinson, prepare for Fame

Leg warmers will be making a comeback when youngsters from Dudley bring Eighties classic Fame back to life.

Brierley Hill Musical Theatre's youth group will perform the popular musical at Brierley Hill Civic Hall on July 20 and 21.

Shows will start at 7.30pm with a matinee performance at 2.30pm on July 21.

More than 30 members of the group will take part in the production. The musical closely follows the plot of the 1980 film where a group of youngsters gather to study at New York City's High School of Performing Arts.

Group spokeswoman Natalie Baggott said: "It is a very exciting production and all of the youngsters have been working very hard over the past few months."

Summer walks around hall site

A SERIES of summer walks are being held around a Dudley hall and its grounds.

Dudley Council has organised the free strolls at Himley Hall and Park on July 22 and August 5, from 11am.

Visitors can tour the woodland and features of the park created by one of England's greatest landscapers, Lancelot "Capability" Brown in the late 18th century. Features include the great lake with its beautiful vistas seen from the terrace of Himley Hall by the Earls of Dudley and many of their famous visitors.

The walks are led by the former senior warden at Himley Alan Peace who will share his vast knowledge on the area and its history.

Dudley Council Councillor Tracy Wood said: "We're lucky to have such a stunning building and grounds on our doorstep."

Joining the walk is free of charge but places are limited so pre-booking is essential. AD Concert Band will be performing from 2.30-5pm on both days. To book a free guided walk or for further information contact Himley Hall and Park on 01384 817817.

Hospital protest group

A PROTEST group is being formed and a petition gathered in the fight against plans that could see Kidderminster Hospital closed down.

The Kidderminster Hospital Alliance is being set up with the aim of uniting political parties, residents and community groups.

A petition will also be collected opposing the overhaul of hospital services in Worcestershire.

Campaigners hope to get a response similar to Redditch, where more than 20,000 people have signed a petition to save the Alexandra Hospital's A&E.

Six options have been forwarded for the future of services, with two of them

possibly spelling the end for Kidderminster Hospital.

It is the latest blow for hospital which lost its A&E when it was downgraded by the Government in 2000.

Since then health campaigners have battled to have the services reinstated.

Future

Clinicians are reviewing how they can manage Kidderminster Hospital along with the Alexandra in Redditch and the Worcestershire Royal in Worcester, which both have A&E units, in the future while facing a shortfall in funding.

The alliance has been formed by the Labour Party in Wyre Forest and organisers say they hope MP Mark Garnier and the district's Conserva-

tive councillors will join up. A meeting was recently held by Mr Garnier with party leaders in the district to discuss the hospital's future.

Council leader John Campion said he was willing to work with other parties to fight the plans but he did not want parties to set up groups for "political gain".

A statement by the organisers says: "Given that the treatment centre at Kidderminster Hospital is rightly extolled on the NHS's own website as new, cancellation and infection free, it is clearly an important and valuable asset not just for the district, but for the county as a whole."

"It should therefore remain as a key component of the acute hospitals provision in our county."

Boost for adoption

PLANS to speed up the adoption system have been welcomed by a Black Country MP.

Under the Fostering for Adoption scheme, people who have been cleared as adopters can become a child's foster parent until they are legally allowed to adopt them.

Chris Kelly, MP for Dudley South, said: "This announcement will further speed up the process of creating loving and supportive families. Local authorities at present generally wait until court orders are made before beginning their search for a permanent home."

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Heroin supplier is jailed after death of 'customer'

A DRUG dealer from Dudley who supplied heroin to a man who died just hours later has been jailed for four years.

Dean Huxley, aged 37, of New Street, pleaded guilty to supplying the drug at Wolverhampton Crown Court.

He could not be charged with manslaughter because victim Mark Wills suffered from heart disease and other major health problems, the court was told.

Mr Mark Rees, prosecuting, said Huxley and Mr Wills were in group taking drugs at the flat in Caslon Crescent.

Huxley had been called to the scene to supply heroin and Mr Wills paid him £5 for the fix. He "cooked" the drug on a

spoon and then used a syringe to inject his friend.

Mr Rees said Huxley took heroin himself while he was in the flat and it was the following day that Mr Wills, aged 49, was found dead.

Mr Nicholas Berry, defending, said Huxley got to know Mr Wills in Caslon Crescent, Stourbridge over a period of 10 months through their "drinking and drug culture."

He added Huxley had been "devastated" by the death of Mr Wills.

Recorder Nigel Baker QC, sentencing Huxley, said "This case is the best possible illustration of the dangers of Class A drugs to those who decide to inject them."

Memorial five-a-side match raises £850



Lyndsey Hill, son Dylan Hingley, aged 10 months, and Liam Mulholland with team captains who took part in the Cormac Cup in memory of Cormac Doyle

A FIVE-A-SIDE football tournament held in Rowley Regis in memory of a cherished friend raised more than £850 for charity.

The event was in memory of Cormac Doyle, Edgbaston TGI Friday's former maintenance man, who died in 2005, aged 63.

Liam Mulholland, now manager at the branch, set up this tournament in honour of the father of two. It has been running for seven years. Money will be split between Acorns Children's Hospice and Coventry Hospital's maternity unit.

Mr Mulholland said: "We wanted to remember Cormac because he was the kind of person who would drop everything to help you."

Pair accused on cooking oil

TWO bosses of a waste firm have appeared in court charged with conspiracy to steal £33,000 of cooking oil from 73 businesses across the country.

Stuart Bradley and Matthew Walker, both of Stourport, were both wearing polo shirts carrying the name of their firm M&S Wastecare when they appeared at Dudley Magistrates Court last week.

The court heard the business, which they both run, was still trading.

The men are accused of stealing used cooking oil from locations across the country and selling this on to transport companies so that it could be used as bio-diesel.

They were arrested near the Merry Hill shopping centre in Dudley after the KFC restaurant there was targeted.

The alleged offences date from November 2011 to February 2012 and are believed to have been committed in areas including Liverpool, Birmingham, Manchester, Nottingham, Derby, Worcester, Loughborough, Wolverhampton, Walsall, Stoke-On-Trent, Leicester, Stockport and Dudley.

Neither Bradley, aged 37, of Mostyn Road or Matthew Walker, 26, of The Dell, entered a plea to the charge of conspiring to steal.

They were both bailed to appear at Wolverhampton Crown Court later this year.

Parking bans come in

PARKING bans are finally being introduced around a Dudley hospital after years of complaints from residents that visitors and staff are clogging their streets by leaving their cars.

Residents hope the new restrictions will deter drivers from parking in streets near Russells Hall Hospital in Dudley.

Double yellow lines have been painted and warning signs have been erected after the plans were drafted with the help of householders.

Locals say visitors are using their roads to avoid charges in the hospital

car park.

This is despite a new 691 place car park opening there.

Under the new rules access will be restricted in some roads other than for residents, while parking would be banned entirely in others.

Increase

Fears have been raised that a recent 30 per cent increase in parking charges for staff will lead to them ignoring the restrictions.

Gemma Jones, aged 28, of Kingswinford Road, said: "Unless there is proper enforcement and people are given fines then there is no point in putting these signs up."

The crackdown includes restricted

access to Pearce Close, Dereton Close, Abbotsford Drive, Hilder Crescent and Elgar Crescent and waiting restrictions in Middlepark Road, The Oval, Ashenhurst Road and Kingswinford Road on weekdays from 10am to 11am and 2pm to 3pm.

A loading ban in High Street, Pensnett, will be enforced on weekdays from 7.30-9.30am and 4.30-6.30pm. Double yellow lines will be painted in Tennyson Street, Milton Street and Byron Street.

Plans to ban parking in Kingswinford Road and Hilder Crescent were scrapped after residents objected.

£10m HQ near finish

CONSTRUCTION of Wyre Forest District Council's £10 million headquarters entered its final phase.

Sections of scaffolding around the building at Finepoint Business Park, Stourport, have been dismantled and the project remains on track for completion by July 30.

Thomas Vale Construction, carrying out the project, has been finishing the floors and installing glazed partitions.

The new reception desk has also been put in place and other carpentry work completed at the site.

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CLUB NEWS

Richard's talk on life as a dame

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THE first meeting in June was the Jubilee celebration and members dressed in red, white and blue.

Entertainment came from Richard Westcott and his 'Confessions of a Pantomime Dame'. He soon had everyone laughing and joining in.

Richard changed from a smartly dressed gentleman, applied his make-up, put on the padded underwear to make the dress look the part and with high heeled shoes and a lovely blonde wig transformed himself into a wonderful pantomime dame.

Quick costume changes were managed with help from one of the members doing his zips.

The group then had strawberries and cream, shortbread and sparkling wine to toast the Queen.

Members were taught how to make a box from folded paper squares at the social evening.

Social Studies speaker Jane James gave a talk on cycling and women, a fascinating insight into the early days of cycling and how women were hampered not only by the attitudes of the time but also by their clothes.

Women's journals of the day even gave dire warnings of all the illnesses that could befall women after riding a bicycle.

Meetings are held at Penn United Community Hall, Penn Road, at 7.15 pm on the second, third and fourth Wednesdays of the month and a warm welcome is extended to new members and visitors.

Club serves up treat with Wimbledon teas



Inner Wheel Club members sell their wares at the Wombourne Jubilee Carnival

INNER WHEEL CLUB OF SEDGLEY & WOMBOURNE

AT THE Wombourne Jubilee Carnival members of the Inner Wheel club of Sedgley & Wombourne sold plated scones jam and butter as 'Wimbledon teas' and punch balloons with the funds raised going to Local charities supported by the group.

Carnival congratulations

SPEAKER for the evening was Ed Shaw who gave an illustrated talk on central America.

After finishing National Service at the age of 20, he decided to cycle around the world finding work.

He particularly enjoyed the hospitality of the Americans and now has a holiday home in the 'middle of the Arizona desert' where he and his wife spend several months of the year.

At first, when Ed and his

WOMBOURNE WI

wife arrived in the States, they purchased an old car to visit places on the way to their abode.

Mr Shaw raises money for charity, on one occasion cycling across America. He has also cycled to Rome.

While eating hot dogs, members were reminded of their outing to Halfpenny Green and they congratulated themselves on a wonderful carnival.

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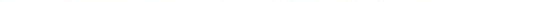
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Concern that reforms of the Lords must be the right ones

I SIGNED a letter to the Prime Minister, along with more than 70 Conservative colleagues.

It was expressing my concern at the Government's attempts to limit the amount of time (known as a Programme Motion) spent discussing the profound constitutional changes contained within the House of Lords Reform Bill.

Given my concerns about the Bill and the threat to the primacy of the Commons I joined 90 Conservative colleagues in voting against the Bill at second reading.

In total 110 Conservative MPs either voted against the Bill or abstained, sending out a clear message that, although we want reform of the upper chamber, it must be the right reform to ensure Britain's ongoing political stability which I know is admired around the world.

I have and will always put what I consider to be the interests of my country and my constituency ahead of any party or personal interests.

Pleasingly the Scrap Metal Dealers Bill received its second reading in the Commons and has been approved by MPs for its third reading thereby clearing a major hurdle in the Parliamentary process.

I attended a round table meeting of Conservative MPs in Parliament with the Liberal Democrat Secretary

Dudley South Conservative MP Chris Kelly takes the stand in our weekly Chronicle column which gives our local representatives the chance to air their views on issues that matter



"Diversity of supply — including new nuclear — and greater competition are the key and there are some interesting developments in the pipeline..."

of State for Energy and Climate Change at which I took the opportunity of raising the cost of energy, not only for my constituents at home but also for energy intensive industries — such as tile and brick makers, plus manufacturing and engineering companies — which employ very many people in Dudley South.

Developments

Diversity of supply — including new nuclear — and greater competition are the key and there are some interesting developments in the pipeline with regard to shale gas which could, in time, help to move us away from expensive Russian gas.

I have welcomed radical new plans to speed up the adoption system with a "foster-first" policy for couples who are approved to adopt but who can still face long waits for paperwork to be completed.

I conducted a personal tour of Parliament for the Allen family, residents from Netherton.

I held busy constituency advice surgeries at Kingswinford and Pensnett community centres. As ever my experienced team and I are always available to help via dudleyconservatives.com /surgeries.

I've had lots of interesting and exciting constituency

appointments over the past fortnight. I was really pleased to welcome my colleague and cabinet minister, the Rt. Hon. Francis Maude MP, Minister for the Cabinet Office and Paymaster General, to Brierley Hill.

Francis and I met with third sector representatives to discuss how Dudley Community First has got on in its first year and met residents on the Chapel Street Estate with DCF engagement officer, Matthew.

Afterwards we met with management and staff at the Child Maintenance and Enforcement Commission — a major local public sector employer — at The Waterfront, Merry Hill to discuss civil service reform plus system and process changes to the Commission's vital work supporting responsible parents.

Delighted

As a former officer cadet in the Oxford University Officers' Training Corp and a member of the Armed Forces Parliamentary Scheme (Royal Air Force section) I was absolutely delighted to visit Brierley Hill air cadets at the squadron's long-time home in Brockmoor.

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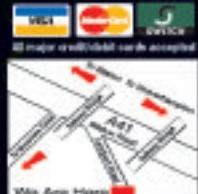
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The Brown Jug Inn, Willenhall, early 1900s



Dr Joseph Tonks, centre, family and friends 1885



Workers at their benches at the Josiah Parkes & Sons Lock Factory in Willenhall, about 1928-30

The meadows that became 'Humpshire'

WILLENHALL, between Walsall and Wolverhampton, was originally called 'Willenhall', Anglo-Saxon for 'the meadowland of Willan'.

First mentioned in the 700s, when King Ethelbald of Mercia signed a treaty there, William the Conqueror's Domesday Book (1086) records it as 'Willenhal'.

In the Middle Ages, Willenhall was a small agricultural village with a chapel within the parish of Wolverhampton. But from 1840, Willenhall had its own parish church, St Giles, and the present day building dates from 1867.

Willenhall's population grew to around 300 by 1666, but in the 1700s it expanded dramatically with the Industrial Revolution. The now industrial town centred around Market Place and Stafford Street, comprising many tiny streets crammed with houses, workshops and pubs.

A thriving mining community grew up around Lane Head and Sandbeds, and Portobello became known for brickmaking.

by Stuart Williams

ing. Coal mining was important in the Willenhall area early on but declined after the 1800s when the mines became flooded following a strike.

Willenhall became world-famous as a centre for lock making, which in Elizabethan times had begun developing in Willenhall, Wolverhampton and Bilston, and by the mid-1800s this trade was mainly centred in Willenhall.

Workshops

In 1855 there were 340 local lock makers, working entirely by hand, mostly in small workshops.

Young apprentice lock fitters worked bent over, developing hump backs, which gave Willenhall the nickname of 'Humpshire'. Noted Willenhall lockmakers included Yale & Towne, Josiah Parkes & Sons and John Harper & Co.

In 1849 poor housing and sanitation led to a cholera epidemic: 292 people died, shocking the town into improving conditions, and in 1854 Willenhall Local Board

of Health, forerunner of Willenhall Urban District Council (1894), was formed.

Reflecting local civic pride, several municipal buildings were erected, including the Town Hall and Library in Clemson Street in 1866, and in 1922 a Memorial Park was opened, honouring those killed in the Great War.

Willenhall's best-known monument is however its ornate and imposing Memorial Clock in Market Place, commemorating Dr Tonks, a highly respected and revered Victorian physician.

Willenhall became part of Walsall in 1966, but remains independent-minded with a strong identity and a great sense of heritage.

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The old St Giles Church, Willenhall, pictured mid 19th Century before the current church was built

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What's On! Dudley

Fun is planned at parks in borough
FACE painting, sumo fun and an inflatable football pitch are among the activities at a day of fun being held at the Dell Stadium, in Brierley Hill, on July 25.

The event will run from 1pm to 4pm. It is part of a programme of events taking place at parks in the Dudley borough over the summer.

Other activities will include treasure hunts, fun and fitness activities and environmental sessions. Similar events will be held at Netherton Park on August 8 and Silver Jubilee Park, Coseley, on August 15.

Olympic theme to village event

An Olympic-themed event will be held in a Dudley village to bring together a community and promote local businesses.

The Wall Heath Olympic Summer Fair is on Saturday, July 28 from 10am.

It will be held in the village's shopping precinct and in the car parks of the Horse and Jockey pub and Prince Albert Hotel.

There will be pony rides, bouncy castle, craft stores and games, including archery and athletics.

Church games

A GAMES day will take place at a Dudley church this Saturday. The event will run from 11am until 3pm at St James' Church, Eve Hill.

There will be games, activities as well as stalls and a barbecue.

Dirty Dancing, Birmingham Hippodrome

FROM THE AUDIENCE REACTION Baby and crew certainly give them the time of their lives.

The packed Hippodrome came alive to the music and incredible choreography of Dirty Dancing which is due to run at the theatre until late summer. This is definitely one not to miss. The standing ovation at the end said it all.

The energetic cast took us back to the summer of 1963, complete with corny jokes and the wonderful songs.

Hayes times comedy to perfection

You're Only Young Twice, Wolverhampton Grand

THE Ian Dickens Productions Summer Play Season continued with this madcap comedy, starring the former 'Gunner Gloria Beaumont' himself, Melvyn Hayes.

Ron Aldridge's farce is simply the tale of an elderly widower who acts like a rebellious teenager, to the despair of his daughter and son-in-law, following the death of his beloved wife.

Hayes was certainly the highlight of the cast, playing his role to perfection with natural comedic timing.

Alison Norton

The story is a bit predictable as Baby transforms from having two left feet to near perfect dancing with her holiday love, the dance teacher, but it has a wonderful feelgood factor and everyone lapped it up.

The dancing was superb, no more so than from Johnny (Paul-Michael Jones) who has represented England as a Latin American and ballroom dancer, who teamed up on stage with Penny (Nicky Griffiths) to teach dancing to the holiday-makers at Kellerman's.

Jill Winteritz was superb as Frances 'Baby' Houseman, who is literally swept off her feet by the dance teacher. The audience were also swept along with the romance when Johnny uttered those words made famous by Patrick Swayze in the film: "Nobody puts Baby in the corner".

Sue Attwater



The world's her stage – Meera Syal stars in Much Ado About Nothing at Stratford

It's much ado for Meera

WOLVERHAMPTON-born actress and comedienne Meera Syal is making her Royal Shakespeare Company debut this summer as the feisty Beatrice in Much Ado About Nothing.

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Former Birmingham Rep director Iqbal Khan's production of the romantic comedy runs from July 26 to September 15, and then goes to London's West End.

Shakespeare do in the open air

AN OUTDOOR production of a Shakespeare comedy will take place near Stourport next month.

The Friends of Bishop Wood are staging Much Ado About Nothing at the Bishop Wood Centre on August 23. The production has been organised following the group's success in recent years.

The audience is encouraged to take picnics, blankets and folding chairs.

Tickets, priced at £12 for adults and £6 for children, are available by visiting www.folksytheatre.co.uk/Open-Air_Shakespeare

McGowan set to headline festival

TV IMPRESSIONIST Alastair McGowan and singer Ruby Turner are among the big names lined up for this year's Bewdley Festival.

The festival will run from October 5 to 14.

Singer Barbara Dickson will perform folk music on October 6. Turner will take to the stage on the 9th. Former politician Michael Portillo will appear on the 10th and McGowan on the 12th.

TV historian Neil Oliver, from the BBC's Coast will talk on October 8.

Boarding skills

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6.10 BBC News: Regional News: Weather.
6.30 Film: Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade. (1989) Action adventure sequel, starring Harrison Ford and Sean Connery.
8.25 The National Lottery: Secret Fortune. Siblings Zoe and Ronnie compete in the high-tension quiz show presented by Nick Knowles, hoping to win enough money to take their mother on a trip to Las Vegas.
9.20 Casualty. Part one of two. Linda and vigil for the man who died after being Tased by the police, only for violence to break out – with Scarlett and Lloyd right in the thick of things. Concludes tomorrow.
10.10 BBC News: Weather.
10.30 Mrs Brown's Boys. Newlyweds Dermot and Maria argue. Last in the series. (R)
11.00 Live at the Apollo. Micky Flanagan introduces Jason Byrne and Seann Walsh. (R) National Lottery update.
11.45 Film: Grosse Pointe Blank. (1997) A hitman runs into trouble when he tries to combine his latest assassination job with a trip home for a school reunion. Black comedy drama, starring John Cusack.
1.25 Weatherview. **1.30 Sign Zone:** Faster, Higher, Stronger: The History of the Olympic Games. (R)
2.30 Us of Bolt. The Fastest Man Alive. (R) 3.30 BBC News.

BBC2

- 6.00 CBeebies.** **7.00 CBBC.** **12.05 Film:** Jubal. (1956) Western, starring Glenn Ford and the late Ernest Borgnine. **1.45 Show Me the Monet.** **2.30 Racing** from Ascot. Clare Balding presents live coverage of today's meeting, including the 4.35 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Stakes (1m 4f). Plus, races at 2.45, 3.20 and 3.55.
5.00 Formula 1: German Grand Prix Qualifying highlights.
6.10 Live Golf: The Open. **Championship.** Hazel Irvine presents concluding coverage of the third day's play at Royal Lytham & St Annes Golf Club, where the remaining players on the course complete their penultimate rounds. Subsequent programmes subject to change.
8.00 The Hollow Crown – Henry V. Tom Hiddleston, John Hurt, Patrick Joseph and Anton Lesser star in this adaptation of Shakespeare's play about the 15th-century king's war with France. Last in the series.
10.15 QI. Guests Rob Brydon, Sandi Toksvig, Fred MacAulay and regular panelist Alan Davies join host Stephen Fry, who asks questions on the topic of highs and lows. (R)
10.45 TOTP2. Featuring archive performances by acts including Culture Club, Deep Purple, the Human League, the Sex Pistols, Bob Marley and the Wailers, and Voice of the Beehive. (R)
11.45 Film: Kicks. (2009) Premier Comedy drama, with Keri Hayes, Nichola Burley, Jamie Doyle and Gary Cargill.
1.05 BBC News. **3.35 Close.**

ITV1

- 6.00 CITV:** Mini CITV. **7.25 CITV.** **8.25 Saturday Cookbook.** **9.25 ITV News.** **9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.** **10.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.** **11.20 The Real Housewives of New York City.**
12.15 ITV News: Weather. **12.25 Film:** Escape to Victory. (1981)
2.35 Film: The Man with the Golden Gun. (1974) **5.00 Regional Programmes.** **5.10 ITV News:** Weather. **5.25 Piers Morgan.**
6.30 You've Been Framed Extreme! Harry Hill narrates a selection of some of the most extreme clips filmed by viewers, featuring various trampolining tumbles and a bike rider enduring an uncomfortable landing. (R)
7.30 The Cube. Philip Schofield invites world champion hurdler Daley Thompson and former Olympic javelin thrower Fatima Whitbread to take on a series of physically difficult challenges in the cube.
8.35 TV's Biggest Blockbusters. The most watched programmes in British television history, revealing the top 10 shows in four categories – entertainment, live events, drama & soaps, and comedy.
10.30 ITV News: Weather.
10.45 Mad Mad World. With Peter Andre, Vinnie Jones and Christine Bleakley.
11.30 Take Me Out. A martial-arts champion, a soul singer, a car salesman and a street dancer try to impress 30 single women, and last week's couples go on their dates. (R)
12.35 The Store; **ITV News Headlines.** **2.40 In Plain Sight.** (R) **3.25 ITV Nightscreen.** **5.30 ITV Morning News.**

CHANNEL 4

- 6.00 Channel 4 Presents – London 2012:** Ellie Simmonds – Part III. The swimmer finishes her preparations for the Paralympics. (R) **6.05** **Sal Masi.** (R) **6.10** **The Hoobs.** (R) **6.35** **That Paralympic Show.** (R) **7.00** **British Formula Ford Championship.** **7.25** **The Grid.** **7.55** **The Morning Line.** **8.55** **I4:** Ibiza Rocks: Ed Sheeran. (R) **9.10** **The Dark Knight Rises.** (R) **9.25** **My Summer.** **10.00** **New Girl.** (R) **10.15** **T4:** Revenge. **11.15** **T4:** Suburgatory. **11.45** **T4:** Summer Daze. **12.20** **T4:** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.55** **The Big Bang Theory.** (R) **1.20** **The Simpsons.** (R) **1.55** **Channel 4 Racing.** **3.55** **Channel 4 Presents:** London 2012 – Hannah Cockroft Part III. (R)
4.00 Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.30** **Come Dine with Me.** (R) **5.05** **Come Dine with Me.** (R) **5.40** **Come Dine with Me.** (R)
6.10 Come Dine with Me. Hairdresser Mel Steel hosts the final party in Hertfordshire. (R)
6.35 Channel 4 News.
7.05 4thought.tv. The role of father figures in modern society.
7.10 The Million Pound Drop. Natalie Cassidy and Frankie Cocozza, Sara Cox and Aled Haydn Jones, and Jonathan Edwards and Colin Jackson work in pairs to win money for charity.
9.00 Film: Date Night. (2010) Premiere. Comedy, starring Tina Fey and Steve Carell.
10.45 Film: Another 48 Hrs. (1990) Comedy thriller sequel, starring Eddie Murphy and Nick Nolte.
12.40 The Million Pound Drop. (R) **12.55 Film:** Gentleman Broncos. (2009) **3.45** **ST Elsewhere.** (R) **4.35** **Deal or No Deal.** (R) **5.30** **Countdown.** (R)

CHANNEL 5

- 6.00 Milkshake!** **10.00 Zoo Days.** (R) **10.15** How Do They Do It? (R) **10.35** Big Brother: The Eviction. (R) **10.35** Film: Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol. (1987) **1.20** Film: Adventures in Babysitting. (1987) **3.15** Film: Fly Away Home. (1996) **5.20** Film: Stone Cold. (2005)
7.00 Cricket on 5. England v South Africa. Mark Nicholas presents highlights from the third day of the First Test at the Oval.
8.00 5 News Weekend.
8.05 NCIS: New evidence reveals a plot to kill a killer has infiltrated the agency and plans to murder a member of the NCIS team, prompting Gibbs to seek the help of former mentor Mike Franks. (R)
9.10 Big Brother: Highlights of the most recent goings-on, including the latest eviction from the housemates' point of view.
10.10 CST: Miami. New series. The final season of the police drama begins with a wounded Horatio racing to save Natalia from drowning, before setting a trap for the man who tried to kill them.
11.05 CST: Crime Scene Investigation: A man dies from overeating and it emerges he had a rare genetic disorder. Meanwhile, a couple going through an acrimonious divorce are seemingly killed by their own dog. (R)
12.05 SuperCasino. **4.00** HouseBusters. (R) **4.25** Great Scientists. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

- BBC Three**
7.00 The Real Hustle: New Recruits
7.30 Top Gear **8.30** Film: Shrek (2001) **9.55** Russell Howard's Good News **10.25** Live at the Electric
10.55 Family Guy **11.40** American Dad!
BBC Four
7.00 The Blue Planet **8.00** BBC Proms 2012. The West-Eastern Divan Orchestra perform Beethoven's Symphonies Nos 3 and 4. **10.10** Film: Ajami (2009)
ITV2
2.10 America's Got Talent **4.50** Film: Free Willy 3: The Rescue (1997) **6.45** Film: The Mummys (1999) Action adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **9.00** Film: Casino Royale (2006)
ITV3
3.35 Sherlock Holmes: The Sign of Four **5.45** Agatha Christie's Marple
8.00 Doc Martin **9.00** Lewis **11.00** Film: Mystic River (2003)
ITV4
2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France. Stage 19 from Bonneval to Chartres. **5.00** Goodwood Festival of Speed **6.00** 20 Football Games That Shocked the World **7.00** Tour de France Highlights **8.00** Film: Space Cowboys (2000) **10.30** Film: Training Day (2001)
E4
3.10 Desperate Housewives **4.05** Revenge **5.05** How I Met Your Mother **6.05** The Big Bang Theory **7.30** Rules of Engagement **8.30** Suburgatory **9.00** Derren Brown: Evening of Wonders **10.40** The Big Bang Theory **11.35** The Midnight Beast
Film4
3.15 Carry On Spying (1964) **5.00** The Mistress of Spices (2005) **6.55** Footloose (1984) **9.00** The Happening (2008) **10.45** Aliens (1986)

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What's On!**SUNDAY'S TV 22.07.12****CHOICE****Kenneth Branagh****BBC1**

6.00 Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.00** BBC News. **12.05** Bargain Hunt. (R) **12.35** Live Golf: The Open Championship. **7.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

7.15 Countryfile. Matt Baker learns about the Victorian doctor whose Wenlock Olympian Games inspired the modern Olympics and Adam Henson visits a Lancashire farm where the dairy cows look themselves. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

8.10 Casualty. Part two of two. As the vigil descends into a full-scale riot, Jordan performs life-saving surgery on his girlfriend Yvonne, while Scarlett faces the police. Last in the series.

9.00 Wallander. The detective investigates a connection between an elderly murder victim and the disappearance of one of Linda's childhood friends. Kenneth Branagh stars. Last in the series.

10.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

10.55 John Bishop's Britain. The comedian tackles the subject of friends.

11.40 Formula 1: German Grand Prix Highlights. Lee McKenzie presents action from the 10th round of the Formula 1 season, which finished at the Hockenheimring for the first time since 2010. (R)

1.10 Weatherview. **1.15** Gigan Zone: Faster, Higher, Stronger. (R) **2.15** Holby City. (R) **3.15** Britain's Lost Routes with Griff Rhys Jones. (R) **4.15** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Raymond Blanc: The Very Hungry Frenchman. **11.00** Live Golf: The Open Championship. **12.35** Film: Jack. (1996) **2.25** Show Me the Money. **3.10** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.55** Flog It! (R) **4.55** Songs of Praise. **5.30** Formula 1: German Grand Prix Highlights.

7.00 Secrets of Our Living Planet. Chris Packham and Michaela Strachan travel to reveal the secrets of watery habitats, examining how plankton influence atmosphere and climate. Last in the series. (R)

8.00 Engineering Giants: Gas Rig Strip-Down. Tom Wrigglesworth and Rob Bell follow each step of the process as a gas platform is pulled from the North Sea and taken to be disassembled and recycled.

9.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads. Helen Skelton and David Baddeley travel along more than 1,200 miles of hazardous roads in Ethiopia on a journey to Aksum, the country's holiest place. Last in the series.

10.00 Mock the Week – Again. Another chance to see an edition of the comedy show. Hosted by Dara O Briain, with guests joining the panel to poke fun at the news. (R)

10.30 Line of Duty. Fleming resolves to salvage the anti-corruption investigation and goes to the lengths to earn Gates' trust – but arouses Morton's suspicions in the process. (R)

11.30 Twenty Twelve. Ian discovers Daniel has been offered a new job. (R)

12.00 Film: Sparkle. (2006) **1.40** BBC News. **4.15 Close.**

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** Dinner Date. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** House Gift. (R) **10.15** There's No Taste Like Home. (R) **11.25** The Hungry Sailors. (R) **12.25** ITV News; Weather. **12.35** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **1.35** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **2.35** TV's Biggest Blockbusters. (R) **4.25** Doc Martin. (R) **5.25** The Chase. (R)

6.25 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.40 ITV News; Weather.

7.00 Britain's Secret Treasures. Michael Buerk and Bettany Hughes reveal the top 10 historical artefacts discovered by the public, including Viking treasure and a 3,500-year-old gold cup. Last in the series.

8.00 Dancing on Ice Goes Gold. Olympic medallists Colin Jackson, Olga Korbut, Tessa Sanderson, Pippa Wilson, Jamie Baulch, Steve Williams and Gill Ermis each perform an ice-skating routine for the show's judges.

10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather.

10.20 Bomber Command. John Sergeant pays tribute to the airmen of RAF Bomber Command who died serving their country and tells the stories of some of the surviving members. (R)

11.15 Premiership Rugby Sevens Series. Peter Richards presents action from the Group B fixtures at Edgeley Park, with Leicester Tigers, London Welsh, Northampton Saints and Sale Sharks the sides involved.

12.15 The Store, Home shopping; ITV News Headlines. **2.15** Golden Balls. (R) **3.05** Motorsport UK. **3.55** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

CHANNEL 4

6.15 Ironman 2012. **6.40** Canary Wharf Triathlon. **7.05** The Great Swim Series. **8.00** Will & Grace. (R) **8.25** Will & Grace. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **10.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** Jamie Does Marrakech. (R) **1.35** How to Cook Like Heston. (R) **2.05** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **3.30** The Simpsons. (R) **3.35** The Simpsons. (R) **4.05** Deal or No Deal. **5.05** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – Will Bayley Part III. (R) **5.10** Channel 4 News. **5.40** 4thought. **5.45** Film: Percy Jackson & the Lightning Thief. (2010) Premiere. Fantasy adventure, starring Logan Lerman.

8.00 Come Dine With Me. Four contestants host dinner parties in Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, featuring laddish banter, sports day-themed entertainment and a starter of squirrel that causes a stir.

9.00 Thelma's Gypsy Girls. The gypsies are getting her trainee up to speed forces Thelma Madine to take time off work. However, chaos ensues in her absence and a lie that could destroy the scheme is exposed.

10.00 Film: Rob Models. (2008) After a brush with the law, two irresponsible men have to look after troubled kids as community service. Comedy, with Paul Rudd, Sean William Scott and Christopher Mintz-Plasse.

11.55 Film: Internal Affairs. (1990) Crime thriller, starring Richard Gere, Andy Garcia and Alfre Woodard.

2.00 A Family Portrait. (R) **2.05** Camelot. (R) **3.00** Hollyoaks. (R) **5.10** Channel 4 Presents: London 2012 – David Clarke Pt III. (R) **5.15** Deal or No Deal. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** City of Friends. (R) **6.35** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Abby's Flying Fairy School. **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** 25 Banana in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Farmyard. (R) **7.35** Andy in Toyland. (R) **7.50** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventure. (R) **7.55** Little Princess. (R) **8.05** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.20** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.40** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.25** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Jelly Jamm. (R) **10.00** Monkey Life. (R) **10.25** The Hotel Inspector. (R) **11.25** Big Boys. (R) **12.25** Film: Krull. (1983) **2.15** Film: Clash of the Titans. (1981) **5.15** Film: Pocahontas. (1995)

6.55 5 News Weekend.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v South Africa. Mark Nicholas presents highlights of the fourth day of the First Test at the Oval, as the three-match series continued.

8.00 Once Upon a Time. Emma races to find Mary Margaret before Regina discovers she is missing – but is taken hostage by a man desperate to return to the land of fairy tales.

9.00 Big Brother. Narrated by Marcus Bentley.

10.00 Film: Blood Work. (2002) Crime thriller, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood.

12.00 World's Fastest Train. (R) **1.00** SuperCasino. **4.05** Sons of Anarchy. **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** The Devil's Double. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three

7.00 Olympics' Most Amazing Moments. **9.00** Girl Power: Going for Gold. **10.00** Family Guy. **10.45** American Dad! **11.30** Snog, Marriage, Avoid?

BBC Four

7.00 Dan Cruickshank **8.00** The Bridges That Built London with Dan Cruickshank. **9.00** Film: Amadeus: The Director's Cut (1984) **11.50** Sophistication

ITV2

3.25 Film: Cool Runnings (1993) **5.25** Film: King (2005) **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** The Only Way Is Essex **10.45** Film: Bridget Jones's Diary (2001)

ITV3

3.40 Film: Jesus Christ Superstar (1973) **5.50** Agatha Christie's Poirot **9.00** A Touch of Frost **11.10** Wire in the Blood

ITV4

2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France. **5.00** Minder **6.00** The Sweeney **7.00** Cycling: Tour de France Highlights **8.00** Premiership Rugby Sevens Series **9.00** Film: Tightrope (1984) **11.20** Film: Balls of Fury

E4

3.10 Glee **4.10** New Girl **4.40** Suburgatory **5.10** The Big Bang Theory **6.05** Revenge **7.05** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** Film: Crocodile Dundee II (1988) **10.10** Film: Sleeping with the Enemy (1991)

Film4

3.20 The Last Mimzy (2007) **5.15** Brief Encounter (1945) **7.00** Joe Wright on David Lean **7.05** Anna Karenina Clip Exclusive **7.15** Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer (2007) **9.00** The Hunt for Red October (1990) **11.40** Viva Riva! (2010)

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What's On!

Film Choices

MONDAY

The Woods, Channel 5, 10.55pm
A teenager is packed off to an isolated girls' boarding school by her neglectful parents. The troubled girl discovers a number of students have disappeared without trace, and as she investigates it becomes apparent something sinister is lurking in the nearby woodlands and preying on the pupils. Horror, starring Patricia Clarkson and Bruce Campbell. (2006)

A Running Jump, Channel 4, 11.05pm

A man's attempt to buy a second-hand car in London's East End becomes surprisingly complicated when he crosses paths with a selection of colourful characters, including a rogue trader and his unusual family. Mike Leigh's short comedy, commissioned for the London 2012 festival, starring Eddie Marsan. (2012)

TUESDAY

Green Street, ITV1, 10.50pm

An American journalism student moves to London to live with his sister after getting kicked out of Harvard. After attending a football match with his brother-in-law, he is so impressed by the banter and camaraderie of a bunch of hooligans known as the Green Street Elite, who pin their allegiance to West Ham United, that he decides to join them. Drama, starring Elijah Wood. (2005)



Green Street, Tuesday, ITV1, 10.50pm

WEDNESDAY

A Clockwork Orange, ITV1, 10.50pm

Sadistic young gang leader Alex leads a carefree life indulging his love of rape, violence and classical music. When he is finally arrested, he is subjected to a sinister form of aversion therapy that brainwashes him into being physically unable to use violence. Drama, starring Malcolm McDowell. (1971)

THURSDAY

Millions, BBC1, 11.35pm

A bag of stolen money falls from the sky, and wide-eyed youngster Damian thinks it is a gift from God. However, his level-headed brother realises they must race against time to spend the loot before the country switches to the Euro and a robber on their tail catches up with them. Comedy drama, starring Alex Etel. (2004)

FRIDAY

The Shipping News, BBC2, 11.10pm

A man struggling to rebuild his life after the death of his emotionally distant wife moves to a small town with his daughter and estranged aunt, where he undergoes a profound journey of self-discovery, finding support and comfort in the local community. Drama, starring Kevin Spacey and Julianne Moore. (2001)

Pick of the Week

London is on track for a fantastic event

If the comedian Bill Bailey is to be believed, the Olympics opening ceremony is going to be the most excruciating cringe-fest in our history. He foresees an "inflatable Churchill bobbing down the Thames" and a "huge animatronic Yorkshire pudding" in the middle of Wembley Stadium. And that's before the ribbon-cutting Boris Johnson is allowed access to scissors.

Go on, admit it, you wouldn't be surprised if those things were actually involved, would you? After all, we have no real idea what to expect when the eyes of the world turn upon us. All we can hope is that it isn't like our childhood backyard firework displays, when we got all worked up and excited, only for the rock to go "pft" and then go out.

But let's not be cynical or pessimistic. Let's get enthusiastic. This could be the greatest show on earth, and given that Oscar-winner Danny Boyle is behind the whole thing, it will at least be ambitious and grand in scope.

All we really know is that his vision will be unlike anything we've ever seen before. For a start, the Olympic Stadium will be transformed into the "British countryside". A cast of 10,000 volunteers will help recreate country scenes, against a backdrop featuring farmyard animals and landmarks.

And the opening scene of the £27m ceremony will be called "Green and Pleasant", according to Boyle. He added the show would create "a picture of ourselves as a nation."

"The best way to tell that story is through working with real people," said Boyle, who has even reserved a role for NHS nurses in proceedings.

The set will feature meadows, fields and rivers, with families taking picnics, people playing sports on the village green and farmers tilling the soil.

Real farmyard animals will be grazing in the "countryside" with a menagerie of 70 sheep, 12 horses, three cows, two goats, 10 chickens, 10 ducks, nine geese and three sheepdogs.

One billion people worldwide are expected to watch the opening ceremony.

The world's largest "harmonically-tuned" bell, weighing 23 tonnes and measuring 2m tall x 3m wide, will ring inside the Stadium to start the Shakespeare-inspired spectacle, featuring 900 children from the six Games host boroughs.

We also know that the panorama also includes two mosh-pits, representing the Glastonbury festival and the Last Night of the Proms, while the music – if recent reports are to be believed – is an eclectic selection ranging from the Beatles to the Monty Python theme tune. Yep, there's that cringe factor rearing its head again!

The performance is followed by the athletes' parade, in which more than 200 countries are represented. Then the Queen will carry out the official opening, before the arrival of the Olympic flame, when the identity of the final torchbearer will be revealed.

On your marks, get set, go!



Sue Barker is among the presenters in Olympics 2012 Opening Ceremony, Friday, BBC1, 9pm

Best of the Rest

MONDAY

Absolutely Fabulous BBC1, 9.30pm

Patsy and Edina are unlikely representatives for London 2012 – their idea of exercise is wielding another another bottle of champagne. But as Joanna Lumley and Jennifer Saunders return for the last of three specials celebrating Ab Fab's 20th anniversary, it seems even chain-smoking, wine-swilling fashionistas aren't immune from Olympic fever. Admittedly, Eddy is a bit vague on when the Games actually start, but she's still managed to cash in by renting out her home to a Hollywood A-lister – which is all the more impressive given that she's still living there along with her mum (June Whitfield), Saffron (Julia Sawalha) and Bubble (Jane Horrocks).

TUESDAY

Jon Richardson: A Little Bit OCD Channel 4, 10pm

Have you ever gone back to the house to double-check you really did lock the front door, and then joked it was down to your obsessive-compulsive disorder? And if so, did you then wonder why this particular form of illness has somehow become a laughing matter? It's a subject that's been bothering Jon Richardson, who has mined his own quest for control and obsessive nature in his book, It's Not Me, It's You. But while some fans and armchair psychiatrists may have been quick to diagnose him with OCD, Richardson is keen to learn more about what the term actually means and why we feel comfortable bandying it around so casually.

TUESDAY

Turn Back Time – The Family BBC1, 9pm

They say that if you remember the Sixties, you probably weren't there. If you remember the Seventies, however, you probably see a trained counsellor once a week. In the last episode of the documentary-cum-reality show, Lisa Rhodes moves in with her two sons, joining the other parents for whom the 70s are all about nostalgia. As the families pull together as a community for the final decade, it's time for them to decide – when was the golden era for the family?

WEDNESDAY

Olympics 2012 BBC1, 3.30pm

Cardiff's Millennium Stadium is the setting for the first action of the Games, as Great Britain take on New Zealand in a Group E women's football clash. The sides are joined in the group by Cameroon and favourites to qualify Brazil, with the top two sides progressing to the quarter-finals, along with the two third-placed nations with the best records in the three groups. England manager Hope Powell was given the job of coaching Great Britain and she largely kept faith with the players she is most familiar with, selecting 16 English players alongside two Scots in her squad of 18, with Kelly Smith among those to be picked.

The Big Sports Quiz – Boys v Girls, Thursday, ITV1, 9pm

THURSDAY

The Big Sports Quiz – Boys v Girls ITV1, 9pm

Previous episodes of The Big Quiz have seen the cast of Coronation Street battle their Emmerdale counterparts. Now it's time for sports personalities to take part. Two teams – captained by Paddy McGuinness and Charlotte Jackson (pictured) – will feature the likes of England goalkeeper Joe Hart, runner Kris Akabusi, Olympic gold medallist Amy Hazel, swimmers Mark Foster and Karen Pickering, and heptathlete Louise Hazel. Physical and mental challenges abound – and there may be some dirty tricks along the way ... Stephen Mulhern hosts.



FRIDAY

Snowdonia – A Year in the Wild BBC2, 9pm

It's Friday night. You've got options. Hit the pub? See a movie? Take the family bowling? No, you want to stay home and watch Snowdonia: A Year in the Wild. This is the first of three films exploring life in Britain's National Parks. It tells how Snowdonia in north Wales is a landscape formed by extinct volcanoes, and is home to creatures including otters, hen harriers and peregrine falcons. See – bet you didn't know that, did you? And if you did, you're probably not the sort of person with many options of a Friday night away. The programme explores the area over the course of a year through the eyes of people who live and work there.

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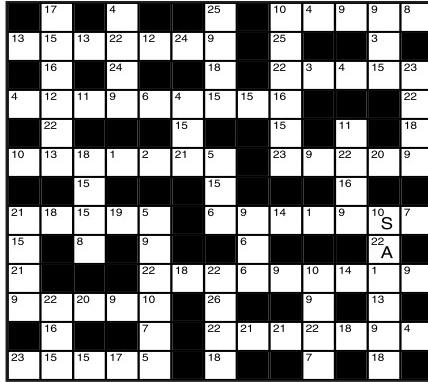
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	A	K	P	R	S	G	I	T	N	U	H	O
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Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S
SOLUTION:
The letter
represented by
the question
mark is B. Cabinet,
wardrobe, cupboard,
all items of furniture.

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

- Here you see what makes crowds so cruel (9,4)
- Going in for charm (8)
- Craft lacking a prou? (4)
- Small pigs making a distant noise (6)
- Such games are not openly played (6)
- Skin colour? (4)
- It has no meaning (6)
- Alliance has a complaint against the French (6)
- One of rank, perhaps (4)
- An apartment, indeed, needs air (8)
- Softening the blow? (7,1,5)

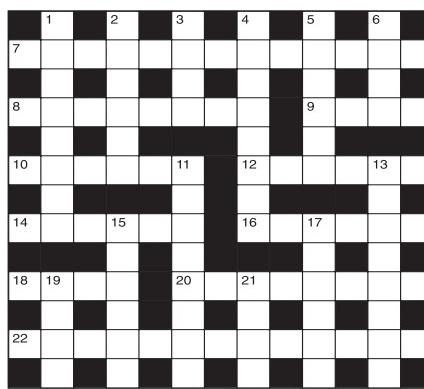
Quick Clues:

Across

- Blameworthy (13)
- Habitate (8)
- Band of criminals (4)
- Ramble (6)
- Bend (6)
- Rivulet (6)
- Temporary resident (6)
- Heroic (4)
- Induce (8)
- Understanding (13)

Down

- Every plot, by the way, will have one (8)
- He takes more than normal interest in his work (6)
- This singer, it's said, never gives an encore (4)
- You do what you like with it! (4,4)
- Got a point orchestrated (6)
- Hard-boiled words of commendation (4,4)
- Clue mixed with open abundance (8)
- Result of eavesdropping in winter? (6)
- You can count on it (6)
- Heartless about what adjacent properties do (4)
- Dread a change in the fare (4)



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:

CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Pier; 8 All the same; 9 Dark room; 10 Into; 12 Lassie; 14 Stains; 15 Minute; 17 Brewer; 18 Type; 19 Redolent; 21 Positively; 22 So-so; 23 Down; 2 Ineptitude; 3 Hike; 4 Recruit; 5 Romps; 6 Esto; 7 Nero; 11 Tendrils; 12 Souvenir; 16 Envir; 18 Blister; 19 Taps; 20 Lava; QUICK - Across: 1 Haft; 8 At long last; 9 Disagree; 10 Aisy; 12 Attest; 14 Tauris; 15 Instil; 17 Seethe; 18 Rear; 19 Question; 21 Break-of-day; 22 Sled; Down: 2 Assistance; 3 Lava; 4 Claret; 5 Intent; 6 Pleasure; 7 Stay; 11 Rough-house; 13 External; 16 Liquor; 17 Steady; 18 Ruby; 20 Toys.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S
SOLUTIONS >

2	8	3	6	9	1	5	1	7
1	4	6	7	5	8	9	2	3
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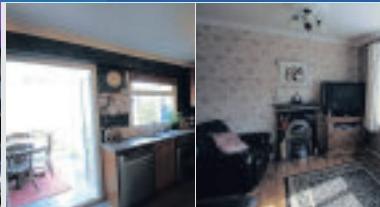
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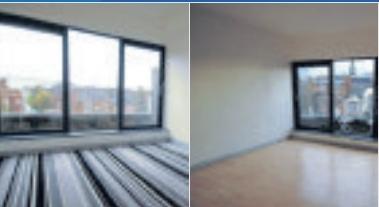
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Offers Around
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3 Bed

Compton Drive,
OAKHAM

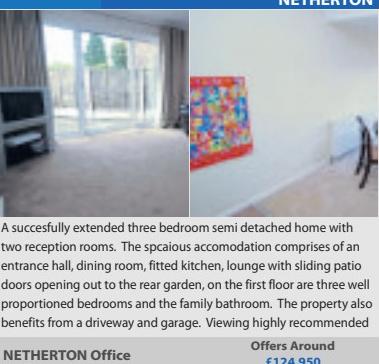
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Grosvenor Road Lower Gornal

INSTRUCTION

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The Broadway Dudley

182,500

A detached property accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, dining room, study, kitchen, utility room, first floor having three bedrooms and bathroom, double glazing as specified, gas central heating. Viewing highly recommended. No Upward Chain.

Jews Lane Upper Gornal

175,000

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Oakham Crescent Oakham

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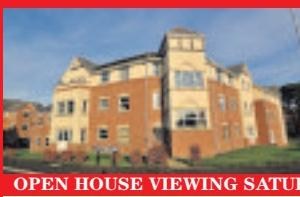


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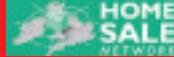
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Langland Drive, Northway

Tremendous Potential. A conscientiously maintained, freehold, gas centrally heated & double glazed Webb built semi detached in need of some sympathetic updating set in favoured district with good distant views from front. Accommodation includes ground floor entrance hall, pantries, dining room (with bay dining room/cloakroom), kitchen, lounge, breakfast room. Three generous bedrooms (third bedroom enlarged into eaves), bathroom, garage, comparatively lengthy rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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Arlington Close

Enjoying a superb cul de sac setting within this very popular address, just off Stream Road, this MODERN SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOME requires updating, but offers VASTLY IMPROVEMENT potential resulting in SPACIOUS and VERY WELL PROPORTIONED accommodation including part uPVC double glazing and comprising: reception hall, spacious full depth lounge with dining area, kitchen, THREE BEDROOMS, bathroom and separate W.C. With attractive foregarden with lawn/conifer trees, DRIVEWAY, GARAGE and ATTRACTIVELY LAID OUT REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£152,750

WALL HEATH



Beachwood Avenue



Superbly located within this delightful cul de sac address forming part this extremely sought after location which is well placed for amenities within Wall Heath Village, this ATTRACTIVELY IMPROVED MODERN DETACHED BUNGALOW offers WELL PROPORTIONED accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: Reception Hall, ground floor WC, large Lounge with ample dining space, attractively fitted Kitchen with appliances, two BUILT-IN CLOAKROOMS, DOWNSTAIRS BEDROOMS (Master with DRESSING AREA/EN-SUITE) and a large Bathroom. With TWO ALLOCATED OFF-ROAD CAR PARKING SPACES and PLEASANT REAR GARDEN which enjoys the very private and attractive rear aspect. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

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Murdoch Drive

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Church Road

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Bickon Drive

This beautifully presented, modern style, uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated, three storey, three bedroom end Townhouse provides truly versatile living space, and is well worthy of internal inspection. The conscientiously maintained accommodation briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Guest WC, Kitchen, Lounge, two first floor Bedrooms, Bathroom with white suite, second floor master Bedroom with ensuite, two parking spaces and a neat rear Garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

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Cedar Avenue, Bramford Estate

A successfully EXTENDED, and conscientiously maintained, Freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached with further potential in popular established neighbourhood. Accommodation provides; enlarged entrance porch, reception hall, dining room, kitchen, two first floor bedrooms, bathroom with white suite, second floor master bedroom with ensuite, two parking spaces and a neat rear Garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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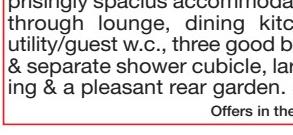


Lingfield Way

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COSELEY



Pickrell Road



This immaculately presented, uPVC double glazed & gas centrally heated semi detached has been conscientiously maintained by the current owner and is well worthy of internal inspection. The surprisingly spacious accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, through lounge, dining kitchen with a fine range of units, utility/guest w.c., three good bedrooms, bathroom with white suite & separate shower cubicle, large garage, block paved hardstanding & a pleasant rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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Bromley Lane

A MOST DECEPTIVE, IMPRESSIVELY SPACIOUS MODERN MID TOWNHOUSE pleasantly overlooking maintained lawns and mature trees within a popular address, offering GENEROUSLY PROPORTIONED accommodation, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, spacious full width lounge, fitted dining kitchen with built-in appliances, THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and refitted shower room. With attractive fore garden and low maintenance rear garden with ENCLOSED PARKING FOR TWO CARS. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£99,500

DUDLEY



Sycamore Green, Old Park Farm estate

This traditional style, uPV double glazed (vast majority of units) & gas centrally heated semi detached would now ideally benefit from cosmetic modernisation/improvement yet offers excellent potential. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance porch, hall, lounge, dining kitchen, downstairs w.c., three good bedrooms, bathroom, driveway & rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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COSELEY



Kenelm Road

This traditional style, double glazed (majority of units) and gas centrally heated semi detached now requires sympathetic modernisation/improvement yet offers excellent potential. Accommodation briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway & rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £99,950

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Devon Crescent

This traditional style, uPVC double glazed, three bedroomed semi detached home is situated in an established residential location and is available with no upward chain. Accommodation briefly comprises: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Kitchen, Guest WC, three Bedrooms, Bathroom with white suite, lengthen Garage and rear Garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

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WOODSETTON



Parkes Hall Road

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£10,000 REDUCTION

Mount Pleasant

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AN ABSOLUTELY OUTSTANDING IMAGINATIVELY EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached envirably situated virtually at head of cul de sac in favoured district with panoramic distant views. The particularly stylish, tremendously enhanced accommodation includes reception hall, elegant lounge with 'living flame' gas fire & walk-in bay, extended dining/sitting room (with lofty ceiling heights incorporating skylight), refitted breakfast kitchen with a fine range of units & many integrated appliances, fitted cloakroom; four generous bedrooms (principal bedroom with a fine range of fitted units & reappointed shower room en suite), reappointed bathroom with contemporary style white suite, garage, block paved parking/drive, delightful secluded well stocked/landscaped rear garden with many fine established shrubs & plants. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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LOWER GORNAL

Redhall Road

A gas centrally heated, uPVC double glazed individual detached occupying a fine plot within walking distance of local village. The conscientiously maintained accommodation includes: entrance porch, reception hall, fitted cloakroom, transverse 20 ft living/dining room, store, third bedroom (alternative reception room), fitted kitchen, transverse 16'3" max lounge, extended T-shape 'hub' of the house, dining kitchen with a fine range of oak finish units, various integrated appliances & double french doors opening onto rear garden. Offers in the region of £234,950

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Richborough Drive

A significantly upgraded, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed detached envirably situated at head of relatively quiet cul de sac in favoured district & comprising reception hall, kitchen with a fine range of units & various integrated appliances, utility room, fitted/reappointed cloakroom with white suite, spacious living/dining room with feature fireplace/overmantel, four generous bedrooms (principal bedroom with reappointed shower room en suite), refitted bathroom with white suite, integral garage, garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

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Oakfield Avenue

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£199,950

PENSNETT

Cassandra Close

Enjoying a generous corner position upon very popular and sought after Badgers Rise - this **ATTRACTIVELY PRESENTED AND WELL APPOINTED MODERN DETACHED FAMILY HOME** includes **GAS CENTRAL HEATING**, **UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING** and comprising: reception hall, ground floor w.c., spacious living room with feature fireplace, conservatory extension, fitted kitchen, utility room, THREE BEDROOMS (two fitted and master with EN-SUITE) and beautifully re-appointed house bathroom. With attractive fore garden, DRIVEWAY and GARAGE together with **LARGE BEAUTIFULLY LAID OUT REAR GARDEN**. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

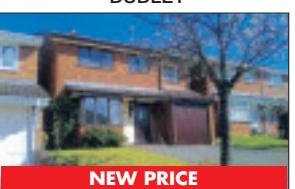
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LOWER GORNAL

Himley Gardens

An **EXTENDED**, gas centrally heated & **UPVC DOUBLE GLAZED** link detached envirably situated in backwater with **TREMENDOUS DISTANT VIEWS** yet within walking distance of so many amenities/county park/amenities. A highly individual & well presented home with a range of features including a large conservatory extension, fitted kitchen, utility room, THREE BEDROOMS (one with shower room en suite & one with fitted units), bathroom with separate shower. Having attractive fore garden, DRIVEWAY and GARAGE/STORE (for storage only) and **BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED SUNNY REAR GARDEN**. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Offers in the region of £189,950

DUDLEY**NEW PRICE****SEDGLEY**

Dormston Drive

NO UPWARD CHAIN. Within walking distance of Austin Close, Milking Bank. A significantly EXTENDED & conscientiously maintained, gas centrally heated family home with secluded rear garden & good distant views from the front. Set upon well regarded development, the carefully planned accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge with bay & living flame feature gas fire, dining room, upgraded kitchen, pantry, laundry room, fitted cloakroom. Four generously proportioned bedrooms (one with wardrobes), reappointed bathroom with white suite, block paved foregarden drive & secluded/filtered rear garden, brick former garage. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £179,995

MILKING BANK AREA**NEW PRICE**

ENVIRABLY SITUATED and, arguably, one of the finest apartments in this elegant, recently constructed block, a particularly SPACIOUS, radiator centrally heated & uPVC double glazed top floor example with 180 DEGREE PANORAMIC DISTANT VIEWS and presented in exemplary order throughout. There is an 'entry phone' style system, communal areas with No. 9 having a 22ft reception hall (8'9" ceiling heights), elegant 22ft living/dining room with wide walk-in bay window, stunning 19ft dining kitchen with an extensive range of 'maple' effect units, breakfast bar and many integrated appliances, THREE BEDROOMS (one with shower room en suite & one with fitted units), principal bathroom. Extensive, gated well presented grounds with two allocated parking spaces. Personal inspection imperative for total appreciation. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Price: £169,950

Regency Court**PENSNETT****£5,000 REDUCTION**

The Plantation

A DISTINCTIVE AND BEAUTIFULLY IMPROVED MUCKLOW CEMEDETACHED FAMILY HOME within this highly desirable cul-de-sac address, offering IMPRESSIVELY SPACIOUS & HIGHLY APPOINTED ACCOMMODATION including **GAS CENTRAL HEATING**, **UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING** and comprising: Reception Hall, very spacious RE-APPOINTED AVANTI KITCHEN with ample units, Dining Room, Playroom/Sunroom, THREE EXCELLENT SIZEBEDROOMS and a classically styled bathroom with separate shower. Having attractive fore garden, DRIVEWAY, GARAGE/STORE (for storage only) and **BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED SUNNY REAR GARDEN**. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

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Dudley Road

This ELEGANT, TRADITIONAL SEMI-DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE, is secluded and set back beyond a long foregarden and, with rear patio / lawn with trees to the rear, offers a superb yet convenient setting and offers. Fine accommodation includes: Ground floor: in bay, separate large Dining Room, refitted Kitchen, separate UTILITY/LAUNDRY. Three excellent Bedrooms and JUST REFITTED FEATURE BATHROOM plus GAS CENTRAL HEATING and DOUBLE GLAZING. Long foregarden with conifer screen, long drive/parking to SIDE GARAGE and pleasant family gardens. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£159,950

KINGSWINFORD**£5,000 REDUCTION**

Balfour Road

Very pleasantly set back beyond an ATTRACTIVE GREEN with established trees, within this very popular address upon a highly sought after road. This well presented & SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED DETACHED BUNGALOW is conveniently placed for local amenities and requires some updating, but offers much potential, providing VERY SPACIOUS accommodation including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, double glazed windows, double doors, open plan Reception Hall, splendid large Lounge, extended Dining Kitchen, TWO GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS and classic white Shower Room. With attractive low maintenance foregarden, rear garden, parking space and gated rear access to a GARAGE located in neighbouring Earlswood Road. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£159,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

GORNAL WOOD

Mount Close

This beautifully presented, uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated semi detached home is situated in a quiet cul-de-sac and is well worthy of internal inspection. The surprisingly spacious property briefly comprises entrance hall, open plan lounge/dining room, refitted/enlarged kitchen, study/sitting room, three bedrooms, refitted bathroom with white suite, driveway & rear garden. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £154,950

UPPER GORNAL

Windmill Street

A PARTICULARLY SPACIOUS, significantly enhanced & successfully EXTENDED, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached in popular district. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge, recently refitted dining kitchen with a fine range of 'bezel' effect units & glass splashbacks, two bedrooms, double doors to garden, PANTRY, FOUR BEDROOMS (three with 'first quality' range of fitted units), reappointed bathroom with white suite, GARAGE with utility room beyond & a shower room, neat gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £154,950

PENSNETT**£5,000 REDUCTION**

Tarry Hollow Road

A VERY IMPRESSIVE MODERN LINK DETACHED FAMILY HOME which is superbly located within this extremely popular residential development. Being MAINTAINED EXTREMELY WELL, APPPOINTED ACCOMMODATION comprising: reception hall, large attractive lounge, separate dining room, luxury refitted kitchen with integrated appliances, THREE GOOD BEDROOMS, BATHROOM, RECENTLY FITTED CENTRAL HEATING AND REPLACEMENT UPVC DOUBLE GLAZING. The property is slightly elevated back beyond the LANDSCAPED FRONTAGE including LARGE DRIVEWAY, 20' GATED REAR GARDEN and is set back beyond a ATTRACTIVELY MAINTAINED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

Offers in the Region Of £154,950

SELDLEY

Whitesmith Close

Comparatively spacious, gas centrally heated & double glazed, GROUND FLOOR Apartment forming part of a small development managed by the Award Winning Association for owners aged 55 & over with visiting manager facility, and featuring excellent design features. Excellently situated just off Mill Bank and within immediate walking distance of Sedgley's Bell Ring, and the accommodation provides: 17 ft living/dining room, kitchen, inner hallway, two double bedrooms, bathroom. Gated parking, communal grounds. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £135,950

LANESFIELD

Mount Road

An attractive, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed traditional semi detached of character that has been significantly modernised & improved by present vendors in recent years with a number of period style features. Superb accommodation includes entrance porch, reception hall, dining room, kitchen, dining room, lounge with bay & through to a dining room (with doors leading from lounge to the garden) & a refitted kitchen with professionally installed range of units (wood block work surfaces/high gloss cream finish to the units) with integrated appliances, store. Three bedrooms (principal and two single, fresh installed wardrobes), reappointed/re-fitted bathroom with stylish white suite/separate cubicle, 17'4" garage, garden, distant views. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £135,000

KINGSWINFORD**£15,000 REDUCTION**

Fairlawn Drive

Enjoying a predominantly level setting upon extremely sought after 'The Green' this MODERN SEMI-DETACHED BUNGALOW is convenient for local amenities and affords VERY SPACIOUS accommodation which requires updating, but offers considerable potential, including GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING and comprising: reception hall, very bright conservatory, extension, kitchen, TWO BEDROOMS and classic white bathroom. With front lawn, LONG TARMAC DRIVEWAY, GARAGE and the PLEASANTLY SECLUDED REAR GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£134,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

DUDLEY

Sandmartin Close

Of particular interest to the young family is this nicely presented and much improved, gas centrally heated and upvc double glazed 3 bedroomed property which is worthy of internal inspection, and comprising, porch, hall , lounge, modern kitchen, conservatory, 3 first floor bedrooms, modern bathroom, garden to rear, crete print driveway to the front, garage, must be seen. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £124,950

DUDLEY

Kirby Drive, Milking Bank neighbourhood

An attractive, comparatively spacious, FREEHOLD, gas centrally heated & double glazed semi detached that has been 'transformed' by present vendor in recent years to an outstanding, particularly stylish specification. Conveniently situated within walking distance of so many amenities, the accommodation includes entrance hall, lounge with living fire feature, gas fire, side hall, dining room, dining kitchen with a fine range of high gloss white units with many integrated appliances, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS, reappointed bathroom with white suite, extensive parking to front & neat secluded rear garden, burglar alarm. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £124,950

DUDLEY

Dingle Close

Positioned in this established residential location, at the head of a cul-de-sac is this extended, gas centrally heated and upvc double glazed traditional styled three bedroomed semi detached residence in need of selective modernisation yet offering excellent potential and comprising, porch, hall, dining room, lounge, extended kitchen, 3 first floor bedrooms, bathroom, neatly laid out garden to the rear, garage, driveway, combi/condensing boiler, no upward chain. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers around £122,950

WALL HEATH

Brook Street

BACKING ONTO BEAUTIFUL OPEN COUNTRYSIDE upon the very fringe of Wall Heath village, this CHARMING PERIOD MID TERRACE offers a DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS and VERY WELL PROPORTIONED arrangement of WELL PRESENTED DOUBLE GLAZED, including: splendid large lounge, separate dining room, attractively refitted kitchen, refitted bathroom, TWO EXCELLENT DOUBLE BEDROOMS and to the rear enjoying a LARGE AND MOST IMPRESSIVE REAR GARDEN with countryside views. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 265265

£121,950 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

DUDLEY

Stourbridge Road

This traditional style, detached, majority uPVC double glazed, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached comprising: Entrance Porch, Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Cellar, two Double Bedrooms, refitted Shower Room, Garage, Driveway and rear Garden. BRIERLEY HILL OFFICE 01384 265265

Offers in the Region Of £119,950

LOWER GORNAL

Central Drive

Stylish, tremendously enhanced, freehold, gas centrally heated & uPVC double glazed semi detached comprising: entrance porch, lounge, dining room, refitted kitchen with a fine range of units, three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with white suite, off road parking (kerb dropped) & lengthy SECLUDED REAR GARDEN with lawns & decking. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £115,000

KINGSWINFORD

Nanaimo Way

A TRADITIONAL SEMI DETACHED HOUSE which is superbly located within this popular address AVAILABLE WITH NO UPWARD CHAIN and offering a SUCCESSFULLY EXTENDED layout of SPACIOUS accommodation in a rear garden setting comprising: entrance porch, reception hall, full width lounge, separate dining room, 21' side hall, kitchen with built in appliances, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS, shower room, CLOAKROOM, side hall, side entrance and DOUBLE GLAZING. The property is set back beyond the low maintenance frontage including SHARED SIDE TARMAC DRIVEWAY leading to GARAGE and to the rear offering a DELIGHTFUL LEVEL ENCLOSED GARDEN. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£101,500 - NO UPWARD CHAIN

LOWER GORNAL

Wood Road

This traditional style, upvc double glazed, gas centrally heated, three bedroomed semi detached home is available with no upward chain, and may be an ideal first time purchase. The property would benefit from cosmetic improvements/upgrading yet offers excellent potential and briefly comprises: entrance hall, through lounge, kitchen, ground floor shower room. Three first floor bedrooms. Gardens to front and rear. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £99,000

COSELEY**NEW PRICE**

Broad Street

Tremendously modernised, enhanced & improved, Freehold, upvc DOUBLE GLAZED, and gas centrally heated (combi boiler) semi detached conveniently situated within shops, bus/rail transport routes in well regarded district. Accommodation briefly comprises: entrance porch, through lounge, dining room (with double French doors out to the garden), refitted kitchen. Three bedrooms, reappointed bathroom with a stylish white contemporary suite. Off road parking (kerb dropped), and delightful, expertly tended, secured rear garden, brick store (with potential). SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

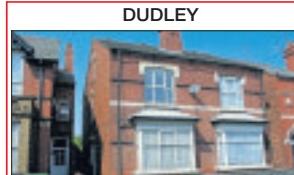
Offers in the region of £95,000

QUARRY BANK

Charles Road

This traditional style, vast majority double glazed, gas centrally heated, upvc double glazing to the majority, to briefly include reception hall, living room, dining kitchen, landing, two good bedrooms, bathroom, second floor landing, bedroom three and good size rear gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 265265

Offers around £94,950

DUDLEY

New Road

A deceptively spacious three bedroomed property, having a gas central heating system, upvc double glazing to the majority, to briefly include reception hall, living room, dining kitchen, landing, two good bedrooms, bathroom, second floor landing, bedroom three and good size rear gardens. SEDGLEY OFFICE 01902 880888

Offers in the region of £85,950

KINGSWINFORD**£10,000 REDUCTION**

Dubarry Avenue

AN IMPRESSIVE FIRST FLOOR FLAT/APARTMENT which is superbly located within this small and exclusive development, upon Valley Fields, offering a GENEROUS and ATTRACTIVELY APPOINTED layout, which includes GAS CENTRAL HEATING and DOUBLE GLAZING, Spacious Landing, Large Lounge with walk in bay. Fitted kitchen. Large DOUBLE BEDROOM and modern white bathroom. ALLOCATED CAR PARKING SPACE. MAINTAINED REAR GARDEN with DRYING AREA and USEFUL STORE. KINGSWINFORD OFFICE 01384 401777

£79,950



RODEN BOYDELL

SELDLEY


ALDER COPPICE

A four bedroom detached family home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a through lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen, a utility room, four bedrooms, a bathroom, a double garage and impressive gardens to the front, side and rear of the property.

£249,950

MILKING BANK


STRATFORD CLOSE

A four bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a utility room, a downstairs wc, a master bedroom en suite, three further bedrooms, a family bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden.

£199,950

SELDLEY


LIMES VIEW

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a breakfast kitchen, a downstairs wc, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£179,950

SELDLEY


QUEENS ROAD

A three bedroom detached home that is in need of modernisation and improvement to create a desirable family home and briefly comprises: a reception porch, a through lounge, a dining room, a fitted kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double glazing, gas fired central heating, detached double garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£179,950

SELDLEY


BROWNSWALL ROAD

A three bedroom detached home that is in need of modernisation and improvement to create a desirable family home and briefly comprises: a reception porch, a sitting room/dining room, a conservatory, a fitted kitchen, a downstairs wc, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden.

£164,950

SELDLEY


COPPIE CLOSE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a sitting room/dining room, a conservatory, a fitted kitchen, a downstairs wc, three bedrooms, a bathroom, double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a lovely rear garden.

£162,950

SELDLEY


DINGLE VIEW

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, an open plan lounge/dining room, a fitted kitchen, a utility room, three bedrooms, a bathroom, uPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£156,950

FAIRVIEW PARK


MANDERSTON CLOSE

A three-bedroom mews style house that briefly comprises a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a lounge, an open plan kitchen/dining room, a conservatory, a master bedroom ensuite, two further bedrooms, a family bathroom, UPVC double-glazing, gas fired central heating, a garage and a delightful rear garden.

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EASTLEIGH

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a lounge, a dining room, a breakfast room, a fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, a shower room, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway at the side of the property, a rear garden and a storage shed.

£146,950

LOWER GORNAL


GROSVENOR ROAD

A two bedroom detached bungalow that briefly comprises a reception porch, a reception hall, a spacious lounge, a fitted kitchen, a garden room, two bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a delightful rear garden with distant views.

£139,950

SELDLEY


SANDYFIELDS ROAD

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: a reception porch, a reception hall, a spacious lounge, a kitchen, three bedrooms, a bathroom, a 36ft garage, a workshop, double glazing where stated and a lovely rear garden with distant views.

£139,950

COSELEY


CROWESBRIDGE MEWS

A three bedroom detached home that briefly comprises a reception porch, a guest cloakroom, a lounge, a dining room, a conservatory, a fitted breakfast kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a garage and a rear garden.

£134,995

EARLS KEEP


HOPTON GARDENS

A two bedroom mews style home that briefly comprises a reception hall, a lounge, a dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, two bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, parking for two cars and a pleasant rear garden with distant views.

£124,950

SELDLEY


PADARN CLOSE

A three bedroom end town house that briefly comprises: a reception hall, a lounge with French windows opening onto the rear garden, a superb dining kitchen with a comprehensive range of integrated appliances, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating, a driveway and a pleasant rear garden and allocated parking.

£119,950

LOWER GORNAL


SHADWELL DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: a reception hall, a guest cloakroom, a lounge, a superb dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, three double bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating, a driveway, a garage and a pleasant rear garden.

£119,950

COSELEY


BERRINGTON DRIVE

A three bedroom semi-detached home that briefly comprises: a reception porch, a spacious lounge, a dining room, a conservatory, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating and a pleasant rear garden.

£117,950

GORNAL WOOD


NEW STREET

A two bedroom mid terraced home that briefly comprises: a lounge, a dining room, a bar area, a superb fitted dining kitchen, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing where stated, gas fired central heating and a pleasant rear garden.

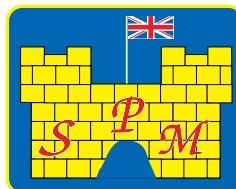
£111,950

WOODSETTON


MARLBOROUGH ROAD

A three bedroom mid town house that briefly comprises: a reception porch, a reception hall, a spacious lounge, a fitted dining kitchen with a range of integrated appliances, a downstairs wc, three bedrooms, a bathroom, UPVC double glazing, gas fired central heating and a rear garden with rear access.

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LYE NEW



KING STREET
£450 pcm
Terrace Property, Two Reception Rooms, Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom, Two Bedrooms, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished

GORNAL NEW



WHITEBEAM CLOSE
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Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Front & Rear Gardens, Off Road Parking

CRADLEY HEATH NEW



GREAT WESTERN DRIVE
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STANDHILLS ROAD
£625 pcm
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PENSNETT NEW



HIGH STREET
£535 pcm
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WORDSLEY NEW



KENILWORTH CLOSE
£625 pcm
Semi Detached Bungalow, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Front & Rear Gardens, Off Road Parking, Garage.

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SURREY DRIVE
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Modern Flat, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Off Road Parking, Maintained, Gardens

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NEW STREET
£660 PCM
Townhouse, Lounge, Kitchen, Cloakroom, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, En Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Off Road Parking

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£595 pcm
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ASHTREE ROAD
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QUARRY BANK



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DUDLEY



BOURNE STREET
£395 pcm
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WORDSLEY



MARSHALL CRESCENT
£575 pcm
First Floor Apartment, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, En Suite Bathroom with Shower, Electric Heating, Double Glazing, Allocated Parking, Unfurnished

TIPTON



WOOD STREET
£575 pcm
BUNGALOW, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Garden, Off Road Parking, Single Garage

UPPER GORNAL



CLUB ROW
£525 pcm
Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, WC, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Garden, Off Road Parking

KINGSWINFORD



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LOWER GORNAL
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end terraced house that has
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kitchen, downstairs wc, two
bedrooms and bathroom on
first floor and master bedroom
on second floor. Secure entry
system and allocated parking

£129,950

DUDLEY
Terry Street

A deceptively spacious three
bedroom mid terrace house with hallway,
lounge with dining area, downstairs wc,
bedrooms and bathroom on
second floor. Secure entry
system and allocated parking

£100,000 Over

TIVIDALE
Hoyle Drive



Located in this highly desirable
location this three bedroom
detached house briefly comprises
of lounge, dining area, fitted
kitchen, gardens to the front and rear,
driveway and garage.

£179,950

DUDLEY
Grenville Road



Located on the popular "Russells Hall" estate this
three bedroom semi detached house briefly comprises
of hallway, lounge, dining room, downstairs wc, conservatory,
garage and driveway

£99,950

COSELEY
Cherrywood Close

An immaculate and deceptively spacious three
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Compact SUV has versatility that is hard to ignore



By Iain Dooley

NOW IN its third generation, Mitsubishi's Outlander has gradually evolved from left-field alternative to a compact SUV to something with the potential to give the current crop of affordable mid-size sports utility vehicles something to worry about.

With its streamlined stance and decidedly upmarket styling, Mitsubishi bosses are bullish about this Outlander's performances in the marketplace. Being realistic, Mitsubishi in the UK is offering a diesel-only fleet complete with four-wheel drive as standard.

The only major decision to make is whether to go with the firm's six-speed manual transmission or the six-speed auto.

In isolation this Outlander is a welcome step forward from the Japanese car maker.

However, internally this model is more significant than the average buyer will ever appreciate. A cornerstone of the firm's new model plans

for the coming years, not only has the Outlander been the subject of a significant weight-loss programme – 100kg – it's also been designed from the outset to accommodate both conventional engines and the new wave of plug-in hybrid technologies.

For now, though, the Outlander symbolises a significant step forward in its own right.

The weight reduction has been achieved without any compromise to the ownership experience, while the reward for the engineers' hard work has been meaningful efficiency and emissions gains.

The sole engine option will be familiar to Outlander fans as it's a modified version of what was in the second-generation car.

The 148bhp 2.2-litre diesel unit has been reworked for its new home, with the result a useful 50mpg and a sub-150g/km CO₂ rating.

From a performance angle the car will sprint to 60mph in just under 10 seconds, while top speed is 124mph.

Both gearboxes deliver a smooth and hassle-free experience, with the auto offering the extra convenience for urban dwellers and those seeking fewer distractions when towing.

On the road the Outlander performs well, and

comes across as a genuinely competent all-rounder. There's a welcome maturity to the way it drives, and body control is well contained and overall refinement is pleasingly high.

Granted, there's no escaping the fact that the Outlander is diesel powered, but the car's cabin ambience is rarely disturbed by the engine's activity when at sensible speeds.

Factor in an easy-to-use all-wheel drive system that offers extra grip when the weather turns foul or for added security when you're towing and the Outlander's versatility is hard to ignore.

This is an attribute also reflected in the car's ability to accommodate a growing family.

Mitsubishi's engineers are keen to stress that the inclusion of a third row of seats turns the car into a genuine seven-seater.

Bloating a stylish, streamlined appearance plus a revised cabin offering a much-needed and welcome high-quality ambience, this third generation Outlander does many things right.

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Robinson is the star turn for Beacon

Tales From The Bratch

BEN ROBINSON turned in a five-star display as Beacon CC firsts consolidated their top-four position in the Staffs Clubs Championship.

Spinner Robinson bagged 5-36 as Beacon cantered to an eight-wicket success at Old Wulfrunians.

Robinson's haul – which took his tally to 12 in his last three games – helped dismiss the hosts for 120 with Jimmy Howell and James Fildes bagging two wickets each.

Beacon made light work of the run chase with Howell blasting an unbeaten half century – including six sixes – and skipper Roger Fildes finishing with 44 not out.

The victory consolidated Beacon's top four place with a home clash against Buxton to come this weekend.

Adam Britton was another bowler in form as he also claimed a five-wicket haul in the second XI's seven-wicket win over Old Wulfrunians.

Britton's blast saw the visitors rolled over for 117, Dan Green (53 not out) and Andy Green (46) then saw Beacon home.

Beacon Under-17s' glory bid has been put on hold after the weather washed out their T-Birt Cup final clash against Hanley. A new date has yet to be confirmed.

Halesowen ease to win

HALESOWEN beat the weather and Cannock in Division Two of the Birmingham League.

Halesowen made 208-8 in 51 overs with Charlie Trottman hitting 43.

An impressive bowling and fielding display then saw Cannock rolled out for just 77 in reply.

Phil Croft led the way with 3-34 with Eddie Rhodes, Matt Jeavons and Asif Khan all bagging two wickets each.

Stourbridge had to be content with a losing draw against Aston Manor in Division Three.

Stourbridge posted 165-9 against Aston Manor, with Richard Bradley top scoring with 57.

Manor finished on 158-6. Mikesh Patel took 3-36 for Stourbridge.

Wheeler in driving seat with knock of 103

Worcestershire County Cricket League

THIS week's tale is a familiar one of matches that failed to start and clubs that spent many hours and other resources trying to play with no reward.

In fact, only seven matches were started out of a scheduled programme of 72 fixtures, writes Chris Marsh.

The overall percentage of abandoned matches is now more than 45 with one second XI team having lost nine out of 13 matches to the weather and a third XI team in Division Six that has had eight out of 10 abandoned.

Division One first XI leaders Pershore were once again the only venue where any play was possible in any of the top three divisions and then only after much mopping up

had taken place at a rain-soaked ground. The home side were inserted by Nomads for a 30-overs-per-side match and after a cautious but steady start from Tim Smith, who made 31 and Dave White 37, they appeared to be meandering at 108-5 until Sam Cross joined Lee Wilks. The latter then proceeded to blast 49 from 36 balls and hoist the total to a challenging 144-5.

With one influential batsman called away for a family emergency, Nomads were unable to build much momentum after the loss of Angus Robson and Liam O'Driscoll and the heavens opened again. The last few

overs were played in constant rain and the match was called off with the score at 92-5 after exactly 25 of the allotted 30 overs.

This resulted in Pershore gaining 10 points and Nomads four.

Division Four first XIs saw two matches won, one in the south of the county at Hanley Castle and Upton where the home side asked Barnards Green thirds to bat in a 38-overs-a-side match and then watched them rack up 249-3 with Andy Wheeler cracking 103. The second innings was further reduced to 35 overs and Hanley were hanging on at 79-8 at the close. In the north,

Lye defeated Old Hill thirds by seven wickets to resume the top position.

In the second XIs, Cookley's match was the only game started as they reached 56-4 at home to Stourport. But in the one-team section, Division Seven saw three contests out of five nearly concluded with Stourport extending their lead at the top after a winning draw over bottom side Bewdley.

For Stourport, Jim Cook made the day's top score of 118 and after the home side declared, Bewdley played out 45 overs reaching 66-7.

Kempsey and Nomads almost beat the rain with the Kempsey innings ending after 22 overs needing just three more for victory and Envile thirds thrashed Pershore thirds.

Mansell the star for Kidder

MARK MANSELL rolled back the years to fire Kidderminster into the quarter-finals of the National Knockout.

Veteran Mansell bagged 4-7 as Kidderminster fought back from a below-par total to book their place in the last eight with a 52-run victory over Merseyside club Neston.

Mansell was the star turn as Kidderminster skittled their hosts for just 62 after struggling to 114 in their own innings.

They will now face Bamford Fieldhouse of Oldham, at home on July 29 in the quarter-finals of the competition now called the Kingfisher Beer Cup.

Captain Jonathan Wright was Kidderminster's top-scorer with just 24 while Andrew Kimball hit 21.

Dudley & District Bowling League results

Ladies: Division One: Laurels 7 WBFC 6, Cutters 6 DdS 2, Dell 6 Wood 2.

Division Two: TREC 3 NCNS 6, Baggeridge 3 DMBEC 0.

Senior: Division One: WBLC 1 George 8, George 1, Gate CG 8 H House, WBF 2 Combswood 1.

Division Two: N Cons 7 Pheas 1, Wernley 7 Cradley Sp 1, Oldswindon Creek 7, Wernley 7, Baggeridge 6 MP 3, CH Libs 3 Somers 6, DMBEC 6 Lyew 2, K Cons 5 N Cons 3.

Division Three: Wombourne 7 M Stev A 1, H'lyd 0 Wernley 9, Dudley Dell 0, Wernley 0, N Cons 6 CH Libs 2, Laurels 6 Dulverton 1.

Division Four: Somers 5 Dudley Sp 3, Dudley Sp C 6 K Cons 2, Coombwood 7 Oak 1, Dudley Sp B 6 Baggeridge 2, M Stev B 5 Hc Pk 3.

Division Five: Wernley 4 & 8 George 2, Green 7 M Stev D 1, Baggeridge 5 K Cons C 3, M Stev C 7 H'lyd 1.

Thursdays:

Division One: Will Libs 7 Cradley Sp 3, Langley 6 Dulverton Dell 4, Coombwood 7, Baggeridge 3, George 4 Oak 7, White Horn 7 Beeston 3, Gate 8 H House 2, Harb 3 Romsley 1, George 10 Dudley Dell 0.

Division Two: Row LC 8 Wood SW 2, Sedgley Ex 8 1 Osbaston Oldswindon Creek 8 Cutters 8 Somers 4 M&B 7, DMBEC 7 Coombwood 3, Wood MP 7 WBF 1, Sedgley Ex 9 WBF 1, Row LC 8 T Boats 2, Wood M 8 M&B 4, DMBEC 4, Wernley 4.

Division Three: Coseley Tav 3 CH Libs 8, Coseley AC 9 Gate 1, Harb 9 Gornal LC 1, Coseley Tav 7 Gate 3, Bilston 7 O head 3, N Cons 8 K Cons 2, Dudley Dell 7 Romsley 3, Dudley Dell 8 Oldswindon Creek 7, Wernley 7 Gate 3, Coseley Tav 7 Gornal LC 3, Coseley AC 8 K Cons 2, Harb 3 Romsley 2.

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WEATHER-BEATEN Worcestershire County Cricket Club are facing another mopping up operation after torrential weekend rain left New Road flooded again.

Heavy downpours left large parts of the outfield at the county ground underwater for the second time this season.

by Steve Madeley

July 27, when the Pears are due to entertain the touring South Africa side in a two-day match.

Meanwhile, batsman Vikram Solanki could be heading out of New Road at the end of the season after being given permission to speak to other counties.

Solanki, who captained Worcestershire between 2005 and 2010, has spent his entire 17-year professional career at New Road and scored 16,570 runs in first-class cricket at an average of 36.02.

The 36-year-old admitted he could yet remain at the county if agreement can be reached over a new deal.

"It's concerning in that we hoped to make good profit but nobody can control the weather," said Leatherdale.

"The balance on the other side is that we are trying to mitigate that by looking at the things we put in place that help us make that profit."

"Investing in the non-cricket side of the business is key with the hotel development which eventually feeds back to cricket because that's what we're here for."

"We're better able to cope with it than we probably were three or four years ago."

"It's being able to try and manage to cope with these things. If you have a good run of fixtures and a good run in a competition, which generates money, then that all becomes a bonus."

"We feel as a club we are probably a little bit ahead of the game compared to some of the other counties."

The next first XI action at New Road is scheduled for



No play today – Worcestershire are facing another clean-up operation after their New Road ground flooded

to know where he stood. At the moment the club are undecided because we are still halfway through the season and circumstances don't allow us to guarantee a contract.

Richardson joined Worcestershire in 2009 and played a pivotal role as they avoided relegation from Division One.

The Pears have, though, secured veteran seamer Alan Richardson and youngster Nick Harrison for another couple of seasons.

The 37-year-old finished as the top wicket-taker in the country with 73 first-class victims.

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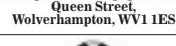


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COLLECTOR would like to buy your old motorbike, moped, scooter, motorcycle, 125cc, 250cc, 500cc, 600cc, 1000cc, 1250cc, 1500cc, 1600cc, 1800cc, 2000cc, 2500cc, 3000cc, 3500cc, 4000cc, 4500cc, 5000cc, 5500cc, 6000cc, 6500cc, 7000cc, 7500cc, 8000cc, 8500cc, 9000cc, 9500cc, 10000cc, 10500cc, 11000cc, 11500cc, 12000cc, 12500cc, 13000cc, 13500cc, 14000cc, 14500cc, 15000cc, 15500cc, 16000cc, 16500cc, 17000cc, 17500cc, 18000cc, 18500cc, 19000cc, 19500cc, 20000cc, 20500cc, 21000cc, 21500cc, 22000cc, 22500cc, 23000cc, 23500cc, 24000cc, 24500cc, 25000cc, 25500cc, 26000cc, 26500cc, 27000cc, 27500cc, 28000cc, 28500cc, 29000cc, 29500cc, 30000cc, 30500cc, 31000cc, 31500cc, 32000cc, 32500cc, 33000cc, 33500cc, 34000cc, 34500cc, 35000cc, 35500cc, 36000cc, 36500cc, 37000cc, 37500cc, 38000cc, 38500cc, 39000cc, 39500cc, 40000cc, 40500cc, 41000cc, 41500cc, 42000cc, 42500cc, 43000cc, 43500cc, 44000cc, 44500cc, 45000cc, 45500cc, 46000cc, 46500cc, 47000cc, 47500cc, 48000cc, 48500cc, 49000cc, 49500cc, 50000cc, 50500cc, 51000cc, 51500cc, 52000cc, 52500cc, 53000cc, 53500cc, 54000cc, 54500cc, 55000cc, 55500cc, 56000cc, 56500cc, 57000cc, 57500cc, 58000cc, 58500cc, 59000cc, 59500cc, 60000cc, 60500cc, 61000cc, 61500cc, 62000cc, 62500cc, 63000cc, 63500cc, 64000cc, 64500cc, 65000cc, 65500cc, 66000cc, 66500cc, 67000cc, 67500cc, 68000cc, 68500cc, 69000cc, 69500cc, 70000cc, 70500cc, 71000cc, 71500cc, 72000cc, 72500cc, 73000cc, 73500cc, 74000cc, 74500cc, 75000cc, 75500cc, 76000cc, 76500cc, 77000cc, 77500cc, 78000cc, 78500cc, 79000cc, 79500cc, 80000cc, 80500cc, 81000cc, 81500cc, 82000cc, 82500cc, 83000cc, 83500cc, 84000cc, 84500cc, 85000cc, 85500cc, 86000cc, 86500cc, 87000cc, 87500cc, 88000cc, 88500cc, 89000cc, 89500cc, 90000cc, 90500cc, 91000cc, 91500cc, 92000cc, 92500cc, 93000cc, 93500cc, 94000cc, 94500cc, 95000cc, 95500cc, 96000cc, 96500cc, 97000cc, 97500cc, 98000cc, 98500cc, 99000cc, 99500cc, 100000cc, 100500cc, 101000cc, 101500cc, 102000cc, 102500cc, 103000cc, 103500cc, 104000cc, 104500cc, 105000cc, 105500cc, 106000cc, 106500cc, 107000cc, 107500cc, 108000cc, 108500cc, 109000cc, 109500cc, 110000cc, 110500cc, 111000cc, 111500cc, 112000cc, 112500cc, 113000cc, 113500cc, 114000cc, 114500cc, 115000cc, 115500cc, 116000cc, 116500cc, 117000cc, 117500cc, 118000cc, 118500cc, 119000cc, 119500cc, 120000cc, 120500cc, 121000cc, 121500cc, 122000cc, 122500cc, 123000cc, 123500cc, 124000cc, 124500cc, 125000cc, 125500cc, 126000cc, 126500cc, 127000cc, 127500cc, 128000cc, 128500cc, 129000cc, 129500cc, 130000cc, 130500cc, 131000cc, 131500cc, 132000cc, 132500cc, 133000cc, 133500cc, 134000cc, 134500cc, 135000cc, 135500cc, 136000cc, 136500cc, 137000cc, 137500cc, 138000cc, 138500cc, 139000cc, 139500cc, 140000cc, 140500cc, 141000cc, 141500cc, 142000cc, 142500cc, 143000cc, 143500cc, 144000cc, 144500cc, 145000cc, 145500cc, 146000cc, 146500cc, 147000cc, 147500cc, 148000cc, 148500cc, 149000cc, 149500cc, 150000cc, 150500cc, 151000cc, 151500cc, 152000cc, 152500cc, 153000cc, 153500cc, 154000cc, 154500cc, 155000cc, 155500cc, 156000cc, 156500cc, 157000cc, 157500cc, 158000cc, 158500cc, 159000cc, 159500cc, 160000cc, 160500cc, 161000cc, 161500cc, 162000cc, 162500cc, 163000cc, 163500cc, 164000cc, 164500cc, 165000cc, 165500cc, 166000cc, 166500cc, 167000cc, 167500cc, 168000cc, 168500cc, 169000cc, 169500cc, 170000cc, 170500cc, 171000cc, 171500cc, 172000cc, 172500cc, 173000cc, 173500cc, 174000cc, 174500cc, 175000cc, 175500cc, 176000cc, 176500cc, 177000cc, 177500cc, 178000cc, 178500cc, 179000cc, 179500cc, 180000cc, 180500cc, 181000cc, 181500cc, 182000cc, 182500cc, 183000cc, 183500cc, 184000cc, 184500cc, 185000cc, 185500cc, 186000cc, 186500cc, 187000cc, 187500cc, 188000cc, 188500cc, 189000cc, 189500cc, 190000cc, 190500cc, 191000cc, 191500cc, 192000cc, 192500cc, 193000cc, 193500cc, 194000cc, 194500cc, 195000cc, 195500cc, 196000cc, 196500cc, 197000cc, 197500cc, 198000cc, 198500cc, 199000cc, 199500cc, 200000cc, 200500cc, 201000cc, 201500cc, 202000cc, 202500cc, 203000cc, 203500cc, 204000cc, 204500cc, 205000cc, 205500cc, 206000cc, 206500cc, 207000cc, 207500cc, 208000cc, 208500cc, 209000cc, 209500cc, 210000cc, 210500cc, 211000cc, 211500cc, 212000cc, 212500cc, 213000cc, 213500cc, 214000cc, 214500cc, 215000cc, 215500cc, 216000cc, 216500cc, 217000cc, 217500cc, 218000cc, 218500cc, 219000cc, 219500cc, 220000cc, 220500cc, 221000cc, 221500cc, 222000cc, 222500cc, 223000cc, 223500cc, 224000cc

Special Hearing Advice Week at your Dudley TESCO Extra store

Finally, clarity in hearing is achievable!

GOHEAR would like to welcome local residents to attend the Special Hearing Advice Week taking place at your local Dudley Tesco store. All are invited to 'hear everything and see for yourself'.

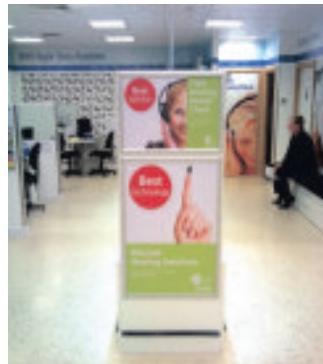
Following a successful hearing Event in April where GOHEAR helped local residents and Tesco shoppers with their hearing concerns we are holding our Special Hearing Advice Week from Monday 30th July to Friday 3rd August.

This is an ideal opportunity for those with hearing concerns to seek fully independent and informative hearing advice focusing on improving clarity for those with hearing difficulties.

If you struggle with some degree of hearing loss and are looking to improve on your day to day hearing clarity you should take advantage of this event.

During this Special Hearing Advice Week, GOHEAR's leading independent Hearing Care Professionals will be giving the best advice on hearing in background noise and hearing with improved clarity; as well as special demonstrations on invisible hearing solutions.

If you are unable to attend the Special Hearing Advice Week, our Audiologist holds a hearing clinic at the TESCO Extra Dudley store every Wednesday and is available by appointment throughout the week by calling 0800 524 4708.



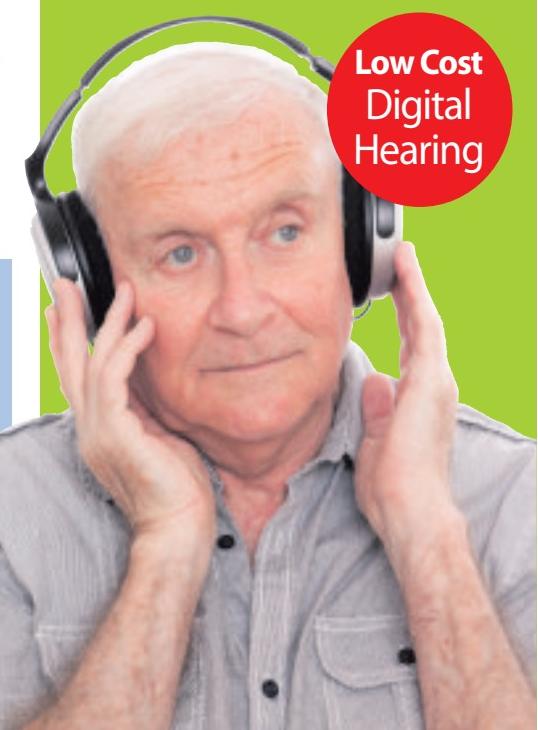
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Tesco Extra Dudley,
Town Gate Retail Park, Birmingham Road

The Special Hearing Advice Week offers you the opportunity to try the following FREE with NO OBLIGATION:

- FREE Hearing test in our soundproof room
- Video Otoscopy – check the health of your ear on a live colour screen
- Live demonstration of your ideal sounding hearing aid programmed to your individual needs
- 5 star clean and check-up of your existing hearing aids whilst you shop – all makes and models
- Low prices on the latest technologies from the leading manufacturers



Listen closely...

Do you or a family member:-

- Struggle to hear conversations in noisy environments?
- Avoid social events?
- Find you have to turn the television up louder than others would like?
- Struggle to hear children or female voices?
- Find your existing hearing aid makes sounds LOUDER not clearer?
- Struggle to hear on the telephone?

We can help with all your hearing concerns and requirements. Feel free to get in touch with us to arrange a FREE consultation without obligation, when you can ask our qualified hearing aid audiologist as many questions as you like about your specific hearing loss.

As demand is expected again to be high, book your appointment early by phoning FREE on
0800 524 4708



Our NEW approach

We understand improved hearing is not just about volume, it's about clarity...

At GOHEAR we have made it our business to address the problem of background noise head on and create an innovative new way of dealing with background noise. It's a popular misconception that your hearing will be improved simply by amplifying what you hear. But did you know that one of the most common problems people encounter with hearing difficulties in background noise is that speech remains muffled and indistinct and that unwanted noise swamps foreground sounds? Simply making sounds louder doesn't make speech any clearer.



Until now...

How does GOHEAR make sense of speech especially in background noise?

It all starts with our approach to the hearing test which is a truly remarkable FREE consultation that has already shown thousands of people how to hear more clearly even in background noise.

The GOHEAR hearing test will focus on the areas that cause you the most difficulty and also provides an ideal opportunity in which you can find out more about your specific hearing loss and what solution is best suited to give you the sharpest and clearest hearing possible from the latest technology.



Best advice

Quite often the cause of dulled hearing could be simply due to the accumulation of wax – but how do we know as we can't see inside our ear.

As part of the GOHEAR hearing test experience the Video Otoscopy examination allows you the opportunity to see your ears like you've never seen them before – on a colour TV monitor. This allows you and our qualified Registered Hearing Aid Dispenser to see exactly what is going on.

GOHEAR are pleased to offer you this enhanced level of hearing care, which involves no discomfort at all.

If, following a comprehensive hearing assessment, a hearing loss is discovered, you will be offered the opportunity to actually see, try and hear for yourself, the very latest in hearing aid technology – which will be fully programmed and configured to your individual hearing needs using your test results.

As part of the GOHEAR hearing test you can try out your ideal sounding hearing aid with the latest audio technology. This will enable you to test out a hearing aid with real life everyday background sounds, such as in a restaurant or a crowded room. Compare your hearing with our latest hearing aids. You and your family will be amazed at the clarity of hearing, even when you are in background noise.

We actively encourage you to bring a family member to your consultation as experience has proved that a familiar voice for a speech clarity test is a great help. They will be pleased to share the experience of your audiometric hearing assessment and our hearing aid audiologist will be happy to answer any questions you may have about your hearing.

To book your free hearing test and digital hearing aid demonstration, call us today on 0800 524 4708

Nowadays hearing loss is more noticeable than the hearing aid!

Small, discreet and fantastic value, so why suffer in silence?

SoundLens is the first custom fit invisible-in-the-canal (IIC) hearing aid featuring the latest technology – including Voice iQ, noise reduction and speech preservation system designed to filter out background noise.



Best technology

Change your personal glasses into a hearing system and enjoy perfect vision and hearing

Wearing both spectacles and a hearing device can be awkward. GOHEAR offers the perfect solution, a unique hearing system which is individual, exclusive and comfortable to wear.



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Improved hearing in the most difficult listening environments

With ReSound Alera, sound is crisper, cleaner and works more like natural hearing, providing a truly advanced listening experience.

With ReSound Alera™ you will get:

- An exceptionally rich sound quality
- The ability to understand speech better, even when there is noise in the background
- Ability to keep a sense of what's going on around you
- The ability to locate where sounds are coming from
- No whistling or buzzing on the phone or when you hug someone
- Music that sounds as clear and pure as it's supposed to
- Ability to connect wirelessly to your mobile phone, TV, stereo and computer



ReSound

Hearing made easier with No fiddly batteries to contend with

This stylish discreet aid from Siemens delivers all the performance you'd expect but with the convenience of a rechargeable battery that takes away the nuisance of changing tiny batteries.



SIEMENS

Try the award winning, rechargeable battery in-the-ear hearing aid from Hansaton for yourself, with inductive charging.



HANSATON
hearing & emotion

Clearer hearing at an affordable price

Best value

At GOHEAR we understand that each person's hearing loss and individual hearing requirements are unique to them - so it's worth knowing that each manufacturer approaches hearing loss differently. Some are better at dealing with background noise or with frequency shaping, others have better ways of dealing with speech clarity issues or noise cancellation.

Being independent we deal with every hearing aid manufacturer to ensure we can offer the best choice of hearing solution for your loss. During the SPECIAL HEARING EVENT you will be able try for yourself the best hearing solutions for your individual hearing loss.

Hear more, pay less - Our in store prices are the same as what you can find on the internet but with the added value that you know you've bought it in your local TESCO store.



How GOHEAR Special Hearing Events have benefited our customers

My Daughter kept telling me to have a hearing test, so I went with her to my local Hearing Event. What a difference my improved hearing has made to both of our lives. Spending time together has become less of a challenge for us both.

Mr Gillies FORMBY 18/05/2011

I have had hearing aids for many years and they have always been OK but it was so helpful to finally have my issues with not hearing in background noise properly explained to me. My new GOHEAR hearing aids cost less than the pair I bought 4 years ago and work twice as well.

Mrs Roberts YORK 24/10/2011

The low cost hearing solution for people who aren't ready for a hearing aid

Discover if the new generation hearing aid, the A-M-P from Starkey is suitable for you - ideal for people who have never used a hearing aid before.

The A-M-P is so small, you can't detect it and it's easy to live with. It fits invisibly in your ear and is designed especially for first time hearing aid users.



GOHEAR Battery Club

Join our Battery Club and pay just

£1.50

(RRP £3.99)

for your hearing aid batteries
(6 pack of Rayovac batteries)



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